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FROM THE

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PETITION

OF THE

CHURCHWARDENS, OVERSEERS of the POOR, and great Numbers of the Inhabitants of the ſeveral Pariſhes of St. *Giles in the Fields*, the Liberty of *Saffron-hill*, *Hatton-garden*, and *Ely Rents* in the Pariſh of St. *Andrew Holbourn*; St. *Dunſtan Stepney*, St. *Paul Shadwell*, St. *Anne* in *Middleſex*, St. *Sepulchres* in *Middleſex*, St. *Luke*, *Middleſex*, and St. *James Clerkenwell* in the County of *Middleſex*, whoſe Names are thereunto ſubſcribed on behalf of themſelves, and the reſt of the Pariſhes of the ſaid County;

AND ALSO

The PETITION of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, in their General Seſſions aſſembled, were Referred.

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THE Committee to whom the Petition of the Church-Wardens, Overſeers of the Poor, and great Numbers of the Inhabitants of the ſeveral Pariſhes of St. *Giles in the Fields*, the Liberty of *Saffron-Hill*, *Hatton-garden* and *Ely* Rents, in the Pariſh of St. *Andrew Holbourn*, St. *Dunſtan Stepney*, St. *Paul Shadwell*, St. *Anne* in *Middleſex*, St. *Sepulchres* in *Middleſex*, St. *Luke Middleſex*, and St. *James Clerkenwell* in the County of *Middleſex*, whoſe Names are thereunto ſubſcribed, in behalf of themſelves and the reſt of the Pariſhes of the ſaid County; And alſo

The Petition of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, in their General Seſſions aſſembled, were referred, have, purſuant to the Order of the Houſe, examined the Matter of the ſaid Petitions.

And in order to prove, That the Juſtices of the Peace had, for many Years laſt paſt, levied very large Sums of Money on the Inhabitants of the County of *Middleſex*; the Petitioners mentioned in the firſt Petition, produced and read divers Orders of the Quarter Seſſions, for making ſeveral Rates for paſſing

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ſing Vagrants in the Years 1722, 1726, 1729, 1731 and 1734; and for eſtabliſhing Treaſurers for collecting the ſame, *viz.*

		l.
In the Year	1722	800
	1726	800
	1729	800
	1731	800
	1734	800
	Total	4000

And ſeveral Orders of the ſaid Treaſurers to the reſpective High Conſtables of each Diviſion for collecting the ſame, were likewiſe produced and read.

They then called

Thomas Jones, High Conſtable for *Holbourn* Diviſion, in the Year 1722, who ſaid, That he was appointed Treaſurer of the Monies for paſſing Vagrants, in the Year 1722; that he receiv'd a Rate for 800 *l.* on the whole County, with Directions not to collect 272 *l.* 6 *s.* 11 *d.* being Part thereof, aſſeſſed on the Liberties of *Weſtminſter*, they having a Treaſurer of their own: Nor the Sum of 51 *l.* 12 *s.* 1 *d.* another Part of the ſaid Rate, being aſſeſs'd on the Liberties of the *Tower* within and without, *Trinity Minories*, and the *Old Artillery Ground*. That he collected upon the ſaid Rate, the Sum of 423 *l.* 1 *s.* That in the latter End of the Year 1725, or Beginning of the Year 1726, he acquainted the Seſſions, that he had paid 54 *l* more than he had received on the ſaid Rate; that thereupon the Seſſions ordered another Rate for the like Sum; that he collected but little on the ſecond Rate. That in the Year 1728, Mr. *Coteſworth* was appointed Treaſurer; that he was ordered to leave his Accounts and Vouchers with Mr. *Wilkinſon*, in order that they might be inſpected by the Committee of Accounts. That he had attended the ſaid Committee; but had never had any Accounts ſigned.

Being asked, How his Account came not to be ſigned? he ſaid, That he had over-paid of the Rate 1726, 16 *l.* that the Juſtices refuſed to allow him the ſame; and, that they likewiſe refuſed to make him the Allowances uſually made to other Conſtables.

Being

Being asked, If he had never been profecuted for not making up his Accounts? he ſaid, He had heard that he was profecuted at a Court held at an Ale-houſe in *Grey's-Inn-lane*; that his Attorneys adviſed him to remove the ſame into the *King's Bench*; and, that the ſaid Proſecution coſt him 15 *l.*; that the ſame never came to Trial, nor does he know how it ended.

Being asked, If he was not adviſed by his Attorneys to attend at *Hicks's Hall*, and make up his Accounts? he ſaid, He was, and that he deſired it might be made up by Gentlemen of Reputation: He likewiſe ſaid, That *John Milner*, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, adviſed him to attend the Committee, and make up his Accounts; and promiſed him that he ſhould be ſafe in going and returning; that he ſaid to Mr. *Milner*, You know that I have been at great Expence, paid more than I have received, and am allowed nothing as others have been, nor am I allowed the Money I over-paid for Vagrants. That Mr. *Milner* replied, The Committee had not Power to make ſuch Allowances, but that he muſt apply to the Seſſions for them.

Being asked, If he had ever applied to the Seſſions? he ſaid, No.

Mr. *Philip Betty*, High Conſtable of the *Tower* Diviſion, produced a Warrant from *William Coteſworth*, Eſq; Treaſurer for the Vagrant Money for the Year 1729, dated the 13th of *November* in the ſame Year, for levying the Sum of 155 *l.* 2 *s.* and 2 *d.* upon his Diviſion; and ſaid, that he raiſed the Whole except the 5 *l.* 12 *s.* 1 *d.* aſſeſſed on *Trinity Minories*, being 149 *l.* 12 *s.* 1 *d.* and paid the ſame to Mr. *Coteſworth*, without having any Allowance made to him.

Being asked, If he had never heard of any Poundage, or Preſent, being due to him as High Conſtable? he ſaid, He had never heard of any.

He further ſaid, That he received a Rate for the like Sum, dated *Auguſt* 20. 1731. ſigned by *Andrew Osborne*, Eſq; the then Treaſurer; that upon that Rate he paid to the ſaid Mr. *Osborne* the Sum of 126 *l.* 11 *s.* 2 *d.* and to Mr. *John Higgs*, a ſubſequent Treaſurer, 11 *l.* 17 *s.* 3 *d.* that there remains uncollected from the *Trinity Minories* 5 *l.* 12 *s.* 1 *d.* and from the Pariſh of *Chriſt-church* 11 *l.* 1 *s.* 8 *d.* that he received an Order

dated *May* 23. 1734. for the like Rate, ſigned by Mr. *John Higgs*, the then Treaſurer; that he raiſed upon the ſame 115*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* which he paid to the ſaid Mr. *Higgs*; that there is unpaid of the ſaid Levy, from the *Trinity Minories*, 5*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.* from the Pariſh of *Chriſt-church*, 13*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* from *Ratcliff*, 8*l.* 13*s.* 1*d.* and from *Shadwell*, which refuſed to pay the ſaid Rate, the Sum of 11*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*

He further ſaid, That the ſaid Rate had ſince been quaſhed in the *King's Bench*.

He then produced an Order, dated *July* 1. 1736. ſigned by the ſaid *John Higgs*, to levy the Sum of 149*l.* 10*s.* 1*d.* upon his Diviſion; but ſaid, That he had collected nothing upon that Rate.

He likewiſe produced an Order from the Quarter Seſſions, dated *May* 3. 1736. and ſaid, That he iſſued his Precepts in purſuance thereof to the particular Perſons who did not pay the Rate in 1734, but they refuſed to pay it; that he was directed to allow this Rate to all who had paid the former; that the Orders of 1734 and 1736 were both quaſhed in the *King's Bench*.

Mr. *James Sharpleſs*, High Conſtable of *Holbourn* Diviſion, ſaid, That he was appointed High Conſtable in the Year 1728. that the firſt Vagrant Rate that he received, was in the Year 1730. that the Sum to be collected was 156*l.* 8*s.* upon his Diviſion only; that he collected thereon 49*l.* 12*s.* that he paid the ſame to Mr. *Higgs*, when he went out of his Office; that he never diſburſed any Money himſelf; that ſeveral Petty Conſtables did bring him Vagrant Bills; but that at that time he had no Money to pay them, it being before the Rate was granted.

Being asked, If he had any Poundage allowed him? he ſaid, That he never heard of any being due; that he demanded Five Pounds for his Expences, and retained the ſame in his Hands; but that the Juſtices refuſed to allow it him.

Mr. *William Lonſdale*, High Conſtable of *Kenſington* Diviſion, ſaid, That he was choſen into that Office in the Year 1727; that in the Year 1729 he received an Order, dated the 13th of *November*, and ſigned *William Coteſworth*, Treaſurer, for collecting the Sum of 42*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.* for his Diviſion, for paſſing of Vagrants.

Mr.

Mr. *John Higgs*, being called upon, produced the ſaid *Lonſdale*'s Account ſigned by him, and which he acknowledged to be his Account; by which it appeared, that he had collected on the ſaid Rate the Sum of 18 *l.* 13 *s.* 8 *d.*

The ſaid *Lonſdale*, being further examined, ſaid, That he had been fined by the ſaid Juſtices, at different times, the Sum of Fourſcore Pounds; to wit, *l.* 10, *l.* 20, *l.* 20, and *l.* 30, for not making up his Accounts; that he had attended Mr. *Higgs* ſeveral times, to ſettle his Accounts; but that Mr. *Higgs* would not allow him 12 *d. per* Mile for paſſing Vagrants, the Order of Seſſions being for 6 *d.* only.

He further ſaid, That particular Juſtices, *viz.* Sir *Henry Vincent*, Mr. Serjeant *Birch*, Sir *Thomas Colby*, Mr. *Barker*, and others, had made him the Allowance of 12 *d. per* Mile; and that this Diſpute was the Reaſon that his Account was not ſettled.

He then produced another Order, dated *Auguſt* 10. 1731. and ſigned *Andrew Osborne*, Treaſurer, directing him to levy the like Sum of 42 *l.* 0 *s.* 8 *d.* for paſſing of Vagrants; and ſaid, That he collected the whole Rate, and likewiſe the Arrear of 1729, that he delivered all his Papers to Mr. *Higgs*.

Being croſs-examined, he ſaid, That he believed he did not receive all the Rate; for that Mr. *Vener* told him, That it was the Opinion of the Judges, that there was no Law to enforce the Payment of it, and that it was an illegal Rate; and that he the ſaid Mr. *Vener* bid him tell Sir *Thomas Abney* the Chairman ſo.

Being asked, Whether he paid the Petty Conſtables the Certificates for paſſing Vagrants in the Year 1731? he ſaid, He did not know.

He then produced another Order, dated *May* 27. 1734. and ſigned *John Higgs*, for collecting the like Sum of 42 *l.* 0 *s.* 8 *d.* for the paſſing of Vagrants; and ſaid, That he collected the Whole, and paid all of it to Mr. *Higgs*, except what he paid for Certificates.

Being asked, Why he paid theſe Certificates, and not the others? he ſaid, He could not tell; that if he had not allowed 12 *d. per* Mile, he muſt have diſobliged all the Juſtices in the Limits; that

that Sir *Henry Vincent* was very angry, and came often to Seſſions to get the ſaid Allowance of 12 *d. per* Mile eſtabliſh'd.

Mr. *Richard Weſton*, High Conſtable for *Finsbury* Diviſion from the Year 1728 to the Year 1732, ſaid, That he paid the Sum of 57 *l.* 7 *s.* 6 *d.* to *William Coteſworth*, Eſq; and 5 *l.* the Remainder of the ſaid Rate, to Mr. *John Higgs*.

Mr. *Edward Hutchins*, High Conſtable of *Finsbury* Diviſion, ſaid, That he was choſen in that Office in the Year 1731; that he receiv'd an Order for collecting on his Diviſion the Sum of 62 *l.* 7 *s.* 6 *d.*; that he collected the whole, and paid it to Mr. *Higgs*.

Mr. *Alexander Clarke*, High Conſtable of *Holborn* Diviſion, being examin'd, ſaid, That he receiv'd an Order dated *July* the 13th, 1734; and ſign'd by *John Higgs* Treaſurer, for collecting the Sum of 156 *l.* 8 *s.* on his Diviſion, for paſſing of Vagrants; that he receiv'd of the ſaid Rate 96 *l.* 0 *s.* 10 *d.* and that there remains in Arrear the Sum of 60 *l.* 7 *s.* 2 *d.* from the Pariſh of St. *Giles*, and the Liberty of the Rolls; that he paid 74 *l.* 3 *s.* 9 *d.* to Mr. *Higgs*; that he retain'd the Remainder in his Hands, becauſe he had a Proſecution againſt him, at the Suit of *Thomas Wyborn*, Conſtable of *Saffron-Hill*, *Hatton-Garden* and *Ely-Rents*, for levying the ſaid Rate in that Diviſion; that Mr. *Robe* advis'd him, not to pay the Money; and ſaid, That he would want it again: That he came often to him; and ſaid, The Juſtices were a Pack of good-for-nothing, raſcally, roguiſh Fellows and Villains; but that he named no particular Perſons, nor gave any Reaſon why they were ſo; that he the ſaid *Robe* ſaid, He had 500 *l.* and that he would ſpend it againſt the Juſtices, before they ſhould go on as they did, and bamboozle the County.

The Petitioners then proceeded to produce and read divers Orders of the Quarter Seſſions for making ſeveral Rates for the *King's Bench*, *Marſhalſea*, Hoſpitals and Almhouſes for the Years 1722, 1723, 1724, 1725, and 1726, amounting in the whole to 128 *l.* 13 *s.*: To prove how much whereof had been rais'd, they called

Thomas Jones, High Conſtable of *Holborn* Diviſion, who ſaid, That in the Year 1722, he was appointed Treaſurer of the Rates to be levied for *Marſhalſea* and *King's Bench*; that ſoon

ſoon after his Appointment, he receiv'd of Mr. *Nathaniel Chandler*, a former Treaſurer, the Sum of 85 *l.* 13 *s.* 10 *d.*; and ſoon after that, of Mr. *John Mills*, likewiſe a former Treaſurer, the Sum of 170 *l.*; that he receiv'd Orders for levying Money for the ſaid Purpoſes, in the Years 1722, 1723, 1724, and 1725; and receiv'd the whole of the three firſt Rates, and Part of the laſt, but knows not how much; that he paid 285 *l.* 17 *s.* 4 *d.* to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight.

Mr. *James Sharpleſs*, High Conſtable of *Holborn* Diviſion, produced an Order appointing him Treaſurer for the ſame, for the Year 1728, and ſaid, That the Rate was for 31 *l.* 10 *s.* 6 *d.*; that he collected thereon 17 *l.* 17 *s.* 6 *d.*; that the Places which remain'd in Arrear were *Weſtminſter*, *Kenſington* and *Edmonton*; and that they refuſed to pay him; that he acquainted the Juſtices therewith, but had no further Order about it; that he apprehended, that he had no Power to diſtrain for the ſame, and therefore never applied for a Precept to diſtrain.

He then produc'd another Order, dated the 27th of *April*, 1729, for a like Rate, and ſaid, That he collected on that, 12 *l.* 13 *s.* 6 *d.* that the Churchwarden of the Rolls Liberty told him, that he had Money, but that Mr. *Burdus*, a Gentleman in the Commiſſion of the Peace, adviſ'd him not to pay it; that he had a like Anſwer from the Conſtable of *Hampſtead*, who told him, That Mr. *Jenner*, a Gentleman in the Commiſſion of the Peace, ordered him not to pay it.

He then produc'd another Order, dated the 9th Day of *April* 1730, for a like Rate, and ſaid, That he collected on that, the Sum of 2 *l.* 9 *s.* 10 *d.* only; that he was ſoon after diſcharged from the Office of High Conſtable, which prevented him from collecting the Remainder.

The Petitioners then proceeded to produce and read divers Orders of the Quarter Seſſions, for making ſeveral Rates for the Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, in the Years 1721, 1722, 1723, 1724, 1725, 1726, 1727, 1728, 1729, 1730, 1731, 1732, for the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmonton* and *Gore*, amounting in the whole to 1054 *l.* 6 *s.* and alſo in the ſame Years for the Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorne* and *Iſleworth*, amounting in the whole to 546 *l.* 4 *s.* 4 *d.*

Mr. *James Sharpleſs*, Conſtable of *Holborn* Diviſion, ſaid, That in the Year 1728 he had an Order to collect the Sum of 13 *l.* 17 *s.* 4 *d.* for the Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners; and that he collected the whole, and paid it to Mr. *Barwell Smith*, Treaſurer thereof.

That he had a like Order in the Year 1729, that he collected thereon 5 *l.* 12 *s.* 8 *d.* which he paid to Mr. *Higgs*; that the Pariſhes of St. *Giles*, St. *Andrew*, St. *Mary le Bone*, *Hampſtead*, and the Rolls, refuſed to pay; that he had a like Warrant, dated the 18th Day of *June*, 1730, and ſign'd *Thomas Milner* Treaſurer; that he receiv'd thereon the Sum of 1 *l.* 6 *s.* only, from the Pariſh of St. *Mary le Bone*, and paid that likewiſe to Mr. *Higgs*.

The Petitioners then proceeded to produce and read divers Orders of the Quarter Seſſions, for making ſeveral Rates for the repairing of Bridges for the Years 1723, 1726, 1735, amounting in the whole to 1600 *l.* *viz.*

	l.
In the Year 1723 — —	600
1726 — —	800
1735 — —	200
Total	1600 *l.*

To prove how much whereof had been raiſed, they called

Mr. *William Lonſdale*, High Conſtable of *Kenſington* Diviſion, who ſaid, That he collected 10 *l.* 10 *s.* for a Bridge Rate, and paid it to Mr. *Henry Barker*, but does not know what Year it was in; but by an Account produced by Mr. *Higgs*, it appeared to your Committee to be in the Year 1731.

Mr. *Thomas Jones*, High Conſtable of *Holborn* Diviſion, ſaid, That upon the Bridge Rate in the Year 1723, he receiv'd the Sum of 117 *l.* 6 *s.* and that he paid the whole to Sir *Iſaac Tillard*, except 4 *l.* 4 *s.* 1 *d.*

The Petitioners then proceeded to ſhew, how the ſeveral Sums of Money collected by virtue of the ſaid Rates had been miſapplied; and in order to do the ſame, produced and read Two Orders of Seſſions, directing Monies rais'd for the Relief of maimed Soldiers, Mariners, and for paſſing of Vagrants, to be applied

applied to the repairing of *Hicks*'s Hall; the Firſt of which bears Date *May* the 30th, 1723, for 400 *l.*; the next, *May* the 25th, 1726, for the Sum of 662 *l.* 17 *s.* 9 *d.* making together the Sum of 1062 *l.* 17 *s.* 9 *d.* being the Sum expended in Purſuance of Two Orders of Seſſions, the Firſt bearing Date *February* the 25th, 1722; and the other the 11th Day of *July*, 1723; altho' by a Report confirm'd by the ſaid Orders, the ſame was eſtimated at 675 *l.* 17 *s.* 6 *d.* only.

But your Committee think proper to obſerve, that in the Report of the Juſtices concerning this Affair, confirmed by the Order of *May* the 26th 1726. there is contained the following Obſervation; *viz.* That with regard to the great Sums the Repairs amount to beyond what was computed or expected, in their Examination of the Workmens Bills, they could not have the Satisfaction they hoped for as to the Reaſonableneſs of them, by reaſon of the long Sickneſs and Death of Sir *Thomas Hewit*, who was chiefly relied on, and had two Perſons employed under him to inſpect, meaſure, and value the Work, and to ſee Juſtice done; but inſtead of doing any Service, or diſcovering any Fraud or Error, or making any Abatement of the Demand, they certified under their Hands for every Workman in every Particular as charged by them in their Bills; tho' ſeveral of the Workmen thought fit to conſent to large Abatements.

The Petitioners then proceeded to read ſeveral other Orders, directing further Sums of Monies to be paid out of the ſaid Rates, for the Repair of *Hicks's Hall*, amounting in the whole to 87 *l.* 14 *s.* 10½ *d.* And out of the ſame Rates for the Repair of *New Priſon*, the Sum of 96 *l.* 1 *s.* 10 *d.*

They then produced an Order bearing Date, *December* the 28th 1726. directing *Philip Wilſhire*, Eſq; to pay out of the Money collected for the Repair of Bridges, the Sum of 49 *l.* 17 *s.* 2 *d.* to *Mary Offley*, Widow, and Executrix of *John Offley*, Eſq; late Treaſurer of the *Haymarket*; the ſame to be refunded or repaid to the ſaid *Philip Wilſhire*, or his Succeſſor, by the Treaſurer of the Toll for the ſaid *Haymarket*.

And another Order bearing Date the 29th of *April* 1731. for reimburſing *Richard Norwood*, High Conſtable of the Hundred of *Elthorne*, the Sum of 28 *l.* being his Coſts in an Action brought againſt him by the Clerk of the Market, out of the firſt Money that

that ſhould come into the Hands of any Treaſurer; and alſo two Orders bearing Date *January* the 13th, and *February* the 24th 1731. impowering Mr. *John Higgs* to retain to himſelf the Sum of 89 *l.* 18 *s.* and to pay to Mr. *John Matthews*, the Sum of 10 *l.* 5 *s.* 1 *d.* making together the Sum of 100 *l.* 3 *s.* 1 *d.* for defending the ſaid *Richard Norwood*.

And another Order, bearing Date *February* the 28th 1733. for the ſaid Mr. *John Higgs* to retain in his Hands out of the publick Monies, the Sum of 23 *l.* 15 *s.* 6 *d.* for Nonproſſing an Action brought againſt the Hundred of *Oſſulſton* for a pretended Robbery; and for proſecuting *Moſes Peters*, Clerk to *Clifford William Philips*, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, for Extortion.

And another Order, dated *Auguſt* the 29th 1734. directing the Sum of 20 *l.* to be paid out of the publick Money, ſo much being the Bill of the ſaid Mr. *Higgs*, for carrying on the ſaid Proſecution againſt *Peters* in the *King's Bench*, till Judgment and Execution.

And another Order of *April* the 25th 1734. by which the Sum of 10 *l.* was allowed Mr. *Higgs*, over and above the Expence of any Proſecution, to get in and receive the Monies ordered to be raiſed and collected by virtue of a Rate made *April* the 25th 1734. for raiſing 800 *l.* for paſſing Vagrants.

And another Order made *June* the 3d 1731. by which the ſaid Mr. *John Higgs* was appointed Treaſurer of the Vagrant Rate, and a yearly Salary allowed to him of 25 *l.* which from *June* 1731. to *June* 1736. amounted to 125 *l.*

And another Order, dated *April* the 25th 1734. by which the Sum of 11 *l.* 11 *s.* was directed to be paid out of the publick Monies, to *Thomas Wilkinſon*, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, for printing Advertiſements from Day to Day concerning the Election of Repreſentatives for the County of *Middleſex*.

And another Order of the ſame Date, by which 3 *l.* 3 *s.* was ordered to be paid out of the ſaid Monies, to *Thomas Bromley*, Cryer of *Hicks's Hall*, for Horſe Hire, and Expences in delivering ſeveral Letters to Juſtices to meet, concerning Repreſentatives for the County of *Middleſex*.

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All which ſaid Sums of Money, the Petitioners alledged had been embezzled or miſapplied by the Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County: A particular Account of the ſaid Sums is annexed to this Report by way of Appendix, No. I.

They further inſiſted, that there remained in the Hands of the ſeveral Perſons hereafter named, divers Sums of Money unaccounted for, belonging to the ſaid County; *viz.* in the Hands of Mr. *John Higgs*, Treaſurer for the ſaid County, 577 *l.* 11 *s.* $0\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; in the Hands of Mr. *Coteſworth*, 163 *l.* 16 *s.* 10 *d.*; of Mr. *Jones*, 6 *l.* 14 *s.* 6 *d.*; of Mr. *Wilſhire*, 6 *l.* 14 *s.* 10 *d.*; of Mr. *Clithero*, 26 *l.* 12 *s.* $9\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; of Mr. *Henry Barker*, 90 *l.* 17 *s.* 5 *d.*; of *Alexander Clarke*, 38 *l.* 14 *s.* 8 *d.*; of *John Payne*, 6 *l.* 1 *s.* 4 *d.*; of *James Sharpleſs*, 12 *l.* 2 *s.* 8 *d.*; of *John Daniel*, Deputy Cryer at *Hicks's Hall*, 3 *l.* 13 *s.* 8 *d.*; of *Jacob Harvey*, Eſq; 282 *l.* 3 *s.* 5 *d.*; of Mr. *Philip Betty*, 30 *l.* 3 *s.* 9 *d.*; and alſo a further Sum of 5 *l.* 11 *s.* Then

John Milner, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex* ſaid, That he and the reſt of the Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County were ready to make out to your Committee, that the ſeveral Sums of Money levied on the Inhabitants of the County of *Middleſex*, for paſſing of Vagrants, repairing Bridges, contributing to Hoſpitals and Alms-houſes, relieving maimed Soldiers and Mariners, and the poor Priſoners in the *King's Bench* and *Marſhalſea*, had not been more than was neceſſary; and that the ſame had not been miſapplied or embezzled by the ſaid Juſtices or their Agents; but that they hoped to make it appear that the ſame had been applied for the Advantage and Intereſt of the ſaid County; and that the ſaid Charge laid againſt them by the Petitioners, aroſe merely from the Reſentment that *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; one of the ſaid Juſtices, had conceived againſt them, for oppoſing him in the Execution of his Patent, as Clerk of the Market, and in conteſting exorbitant Fees claimed by him, which, on a Trial in the *King's Bench* (brought on by their Order, for the Good of the County, as they apprehend) was found to be illegal; by which Means the ſaid Mr. *Robe* loſt above 1000 *l. per Annum*, at a moderate Computation: That ſeveral of the Complaints made by the Petitioners, if they had had any Foundation, had been long ſince removed: That the Rates for maimed Soldiers and Mariners, and *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals, had been diſcontinued for ſome Years: That the Juſtices had laid out for the Repair of

Hicks's *Hall*, Money of their own, and that they had frequently laid out the County Rents, which are applicable to that Uſe, to other publick Services of the County: That the Petitioners, by going back for 14 Years, can only affect the Juſtices then concerned, who are moſt of them dead, and therefore incapable of juſtifying themſelves; that Mr. *Robe* has acted himſelf in moſt of theſe Things; that he never complain'd of any Miſapplication in Seſſions, till after his Patent was by the ſaid Juſtices render'd ineffectual; that where-ever any Money has been directed to be paid out of one Fund, for another Uſe than what the ſame was appropriated to, it was always directed to be replac'd; and in Fact ſeveral Sums of Money have been ſo replac'd, and the whole in time will be repaid; and a greater Part had been ſo already, but for ſome Accidents which could not be foreſeen; ſome of which, he ſaid, they were ready to lay before the Committee; many of them owing to Mr. *Robe*'s oppreſſive Execution of his Patent, and his malicious Proſecutions of their Officers, and Removal of their Rates by *Certiorari*.

To prove the aboveſaid Facts,

Nathaniel Blackerby, Eſq; another of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, produc'd the Account of *Thomas Jones*, High Conſtable of the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmonton* and *Gore*, and Treaſurer of the Monies rais'd for paſſing of Vagrants, within the ſaid Hundreds, for the Years 1722 and 1726; by which it appeared, that he collected on the ſaid Rates, the Sum of 870 *l.* 13 *s.* 8 *d.*; and that he expended, for paſſing of Vagrants, for which he produced Vouchers, the Sum of 591 *l.* 15 *s.* 10 *d.*; that he paid to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, General Treaſurer for the ſaid County, the Sum of 138 *l.* 0 *s.* 10 *d.*; that he has charged in the ſaid Account the Sum of 131 *l.* 4 *s.* 10 *d.* for which he can produce no Vouchers; ſo that by that Account, there appears to remain in his Hand the Sum of 9 *l.* 12 *s.* 2 *d.*

They then read an Order of Seſſions, dated *July* the 20th, 1728, requiring the ſaid *Jones*, amongſt others, perſonally to attend at the next General Seſſions of the Peace, to be holden for the ſaid County, by Adjournment on the 27th Day of *Auguſt* then next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, and to produce a true and perfect Account in Writing, of all Monies by him receiv'd, during his Continuance in the Office of High Conſtable, or after his being diſcharg'd from the ſame, for the Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, for the *Marſhalſea*, *King's*

King's Bench, and Hoſpitals, for the paſſing and relieving of Vagrants, for the Repair of publick Bridges, and the Houſe of Correction, and of the reſpective Payments out of the ſame, with the Receipts and Vouchers to them belonging; with an Account of the Arrears ſtanding out and unreceiv'd upon the ſaid Rates, and from what Pariſhes or Places the ſame are due, with the Chriſtian and Surname of the Petty Conſtables or Pariſh Officers, who have made ſuch Default.

Mr. *John Higgs* then produced a Copy of an Indictment preferred againſt the ſaid *Jones* and others, at the General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace, held by Adjournment *July* the 20th, in the ſecond Year of the Reign of his preſent Majeſty, for not attending on the Day appointed; which Indictment was removed into the *King's Bench*, and there remains undecided for want of Money to carry on the Proſecution. A Copy of the ſaid Indictment is hereunto annexed, No. II.

Then ſeveral Orders of a Committee of Juſtices appointed to ſtate the Accounts, and ſeveral Letters ſigned by the Clerk of the Peace, requiring the ſaid *Jones* to make up his Accounts, were read.

Then Mr. *Thomas Wilkinſon* produced a ſecond Indictment, preferred the 14th Day of *January*, in the ſecond Year of King *George* II. againſt the ſaid *Jones*; but ſaid, that that was likewiſe removed into the Court of *King's Bench*; a Copy of which is alſo hereunto annexed, No. III.

Then an Order of Seſſions, dated *Auguſt* the 28th 1729, directing a Writ of *Capias* to be iſſued againſt the ſaid *Jones* to apprehend him, and oblige him to anſwer to the Indictments preferred and found againſt him for not accounting, was read.

And another of the 15th of *January* following, directing Proceſs to be iſſued, and continued until the ſaid *Jones* ſhould be Outlawed, was alſo read.

And another bearing Date the 26th Day of *February* following, directing a Writ of *Exigent* againſt the ſaid *Jones* for not accounting, was alſo read.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced the Account of *William Murden*, Gent. High Conſtable for the Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorne* and

and *Iſleworth*, and Treaſurer for the Monies raiſed within the ſaid Hundreds for paſſing of Vagrants, the Total of which for the ſaid two Years amounts to the Sum of 113 *l.* 18 *s.* He paid out of the ſame for paſſing of Vagrants, 50 *l.* 16 *s.* 11 *d.* for which he produced Vouchers, and there remained in Arrear (uncollected) at the Time of his Death 57 *l.* 13 *s.* 1 *d.* He further paid to one Mr. *Parker*, by Order of the Juſtices, for which he produced no Voucher, the Sum of 5 *l.* 8 *s.* which Sums together make the ſaid Sum of 113 *l.* 18 *s.*

Mr. *Blackerby* then acquainted the Committee, that the Juſtices were not able to give an exact Account of Mr. *Murden*'s Affairs, by reaſon that he died ſoon after he was called upon to make up his Accounts, and that his Servant who kept the ſaid Accounts ran away with them, which Mr. *Robe*, Agent for the Petitioners, admitted to be true.

He then produced the Account of *William Coteſworth*, Eſq; County Treaſurer for the Rate made for paſſing of Vagrants in the Year 1729, by which it appears, that he had diſburſed out of the ſaid Rate the Sum of 107 *l.* 16 *s.* 5 *d.* only.

Your Committee beg Leave to obſerve, that as Mr. *Coteſworth* died inſolvent, there were no Vouchers produced for this Account; and that the Account added at the End of this Report, No VII. was made up from a Book of Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Hand-writing, delivered to your Committee by Mr. *Charles Barnard*, Attorney at Law, who ſaid that he received it from Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Widow, but atteſted it to be Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Hand-writing from his own Knowledge.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced the Account of *Andrew Osborn*, Eſq; County Treaſurer, for the Rate made for paſſing of Vagrants in the Year 1731, by which it appears, that he had diſburſed the Sum of 287 *l.* 16 *s.* 6 *d.* for which he produced Vouchers; that there remained uncollected at the Time of his making up his Account the Sum of 473 *l.* 1 *s.* 6 *d.* and that he paid to Mr. *Higgs*, the ſucceeding Treaſurer, the Sum of 41 *l.* 4 *s.* which makes the ſaid Rate of 800 *l.*

He then produced ſeveral Accounts of Mr. *John Higgs*, Treaſurer for the ſaid County; the firſt of 102 *l.* 6 *s.* 5 *d.* being Part of the Arrears of the Rate 1729, and received by him, by which it appeared, that he had diſburſed thereof, for which he produced

produced Vouchers, the Sum of 58 *l.* 16 *s.* 9 *d.* and that there remained in his Hands the Sum of 43 *l.* 9 *s.* 8 *d.*; the ſecond Account was the ſaid Balance; the Balance paid him by *Andrew Osborn*, Eſq; and ſeveral Arrears of the Rate made 1731, amounting in the whole to 156 *l.* 6 *s.*; and by that it appears, that the ſaid Mr. *Higgs* had diſburſed on the ſaid Accounts the Sum of 161 *l.* 5 *s.* 2 *d.*

Mr. *John Higgs*, General Treaſurer for the County of *Middleſex*, being examined, ſaid, That he had Monies in his Hands, paid him by ſeveral Conſtables on the Vagrant Rate 1734, before the Order for making the ſame was removed into the *King's Bench*; but that the ſaid Rate having been quaſhed there, he was at a Loſs how to diſpoſe of the ſame, and therefore had not brought it to Account.

The Particulars of the ſeveral Accounts before-mentioned relating to Vagrant Money, with an Extract of the ſame, are added to the End of this Report by way of Appendix, Numbers IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X.

Mr. *Blackerby* then proceeded to lay before the Committee the Accounts of the ſeveral Treaſurers for the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench* and Hoſpitals for the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmonton* and *Gore*; and firſt that of

Thomas Jones, Treaſurer for the ſame for the Years 1722, 1723, 1724, 1725, 1726, and 1727, by which he is charged with the Sum of 439 *l.* 11 *s.*; he paid thereout the Sum of 285 *l.* 17 *s.* and 4 *d.* to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Kt. to be applied to the Repair of *Hicks's Hall*; there remained uncollected of the Rate 1725, 5 *l.* 12 *s.* 8 *d.* and of the Rate 1726, 6 *l.* 3 *s.* 6 *d.* making in the whole the Sum of 297 *l.* 13 *s.* 6 *d.*; ſo that there remains in the Hands of the ſaid Mr. *Jones*, upon this Head, the Sum of 141 *l.* 17 *s.* 6 *d.*

He then produced the Account of

Mr. *James Sharpleſs*, Treaſurer for the ſaid Diviſion for the Years 1728, 1729, 1730, whereby he is charged with the Sum of 94 *l.* 10 *s.*; 33 *l.* 0 *s.* 10 *d.* of which he paid to Mr. *John Higgs*, Treaſurer of the ſaid County, and there remained uncollected in the three Years 61 *l.* 9 *s.* 2 *d.* making the ſaid Sum of 94 *l.* 10 *s.*

He then produced the Account of

Mr. *Alexander Clarke*, Treaſurer for the ſaid Hundreds for the Year 1731, 1732, by which he is charged with the Sum of 63 *l.*; 46 *l.* 6 *s.* 4 *d.* of which he paid to Mr. *John Higgs*; 16 *l.* 13 *s.* 8 *d.* remained in Arrear, making together the ſaid Sum of 63 *l.*

He then produced the Account of

Mr. *John Higgs*, Treaſurer for the ſaid County, by which he is charged with the Receipt of the Sum of 94 *l.* 14 *s.* 3 *d.* upon the Account of the ſaid laſt mentioned Rate; 9 *l.* 18 *s.* of which he has diſburſed, and produced Vouchers for the ſame; 84 *l.* 16 *s.* 3 *d.* remains in his Hands, making together the Sum of 94 *l.* 14 *s.* 3 *d.*

It appeared to your Committee by Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Book, that he had received from the Hands of one *Richard Wilſon* the Sum of 4 *l.* 15 *s.* 4 *d.* being Part of the Arrears of theſe Rates for the Years 1727 and 1729.

It likewiſe appeared to your Committee, that the Exhibition Money to the *Marſhalſea* and *King's Bench* was paid by the Clerk of the Peace out of the proper Money of the Juſtices, called *Colt Money*, until the Year 1732.

Your Committee do not find, that there has been any Rate made for theſe Purpoſes ſince the Year 1732.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced the Accounts of the ſeveral Treaſurers of the aforeſaid Rates for the Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorne* and *Iſleworth*;

1ſt, That of Mr. *William Murden* for the Year 1722, 1723, 1724, 1725 and 1726, by which he is charged with the Sum of 67 *l.* 3 *s.* 4 *d.*; 20 *l.* of which he paid to Sir *Daniel Dolins*; 30 *l.* more to the ſame by the Hands of Mr. *Nine*; and 17 *l.* 3 *s.* 4 *d.* remained uncollected; making the ſaid Sum of 67 *l.* 3 *s.* 4 *d.*

2dly, Mr. *Thomas Wilkinſon*'s, for the Years 1727 and 1728, whereby he is charged with the Sum of 26 *l.* 17 *s.* 4 *d.*; 3 *l.* 5 *s.* of which appears to be in his Hands, by a Letter dated *June* the 7th 1728; and 23 *l.* 12 *s.* 4 *d.* the Remainder of the ſaid Sum, is uncollected.

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3dly, Mr. *John Payne*'s, for the Year 1731 and 1732, by which he is charged with the Sum of 26 *l.* 17 *s.* 4 *d.*; 4 *l.* 3 *s.* 2 *d.* of which he paid to Mr. *John Higgs* aforeſaid; and 22 *l.* 14 *s.* 2 *d.* the Remainder of the ſaid Sum, is uncollected.

Laſtly, The Account of the ſaid Mr. *Higgs*, whereby he is charged with the Sum of 8 *l.* 1 *s.* 2 *d.* which he acknowledges to be in his Hands.

Your Committee think proper to obſerve, that no Rate was collected on this Head in the Years 1729 and 1730, for the Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorne* and *Iſleworth*, although there was a Rate made and collected for the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmonton* and *Gore* in thoſe Years for the ſaid Purpoſes.

The Particulars of theſe Accounts relating to the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench* and Hoſpitals, with an Extract of the ſame, are likewiſe added by way of Appendix, Numbers XI, XII.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced an Order of the General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace holden *April* the 17th, the 7th of *Geor.* I. appointing *Iſaac Tilliard*, Eſq; Treaſurer of the Monies to be collected for maimed Soldiers and Mariners for the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton* and *Gore* for the Year 1721; and he is thereby appointed, and deſired to take and audit the Accounts of *Doiley Mitchell*, Eſq; Treaſurer for the ſaid Hundreds for the Year laſt paſt, in the Preſence of *Joſeph Offley*, *Richard Brown*, *John Cleeve*, *Richard Beling*, *Narciſſus Luttrell*, *John Fuller*, and *Ambroſe Page*, Eſquires, and ſuch other of the Juſtices as have been Treaſurers of the ſaid Hundreds for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, or any Three of them; And alſo,

Another Order of the ſame Date, appointing *Gwynn Vaughan*, Eſq; Treaſurer of the Money to be collected for maimed Soldiers and Mariners within the Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorne*, and *Iſleworth*, for the Year 1721; and he is thereby appointed, and deſired to take the Accounts of *William Lloyd*, Eſq; Treaſurer of the ſaid Hundreds for the Year laſt paſt, in the Preſence of the Honourable *James Bertie*, Eſq; Sir *Richard Reynel*, Bart. *Thomas Vernon*, *Whitlock Bulſtrode*, *Leonard Hamond*, *Rupert Browne*, and *John Venner*, Eſqs; and ſuch other of the Juſtices as have been Treaſurers of the ſaid Hundreds for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, or any Four of them.

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He likewiſe read ſeveral other Orders of Seſſions for the ſame Purpoſe, and then produced the Accounts of the ſeveral Treaſurers for maimed Soldiers and Mariners for the Hundreds of *Offulſton*, *Edmonton*, and *Gore*, from the Year 1721; by which it appears, that the Balance then in the Treaſurer's Hands was 391 *l.* 18 *s.* 2 *d.*; that the Rates made from 1721 to 1732 amounted to 967 *l.* 4 *s.*; that there was a Balance in the Hands of Mr. *Jones*, formerly Treaſurer for the ſaid Rate, of 5 *l.* 12 *s.* 8 *d.*, and in the Hands of Mr. *Coteſworth*, likewiſe Treaſurer, the Sum of 7 *l.* 7 *s.* 4 *d.*; of which 550 *l.* 1 *s.* 6 *d.* has been applied to the Service for which it was raiſed; 400 *l.* for the Repair of *Hicks's-hall*; 43 *l.* 11 *s.* 6 *d.* for the Repair of *New Priſon*; 140 *l.* 15 *s.* 4 *d.* Deficiencies on the ſaid Rate; 19 *l.* 18 *s.* and 8 *d.* was loſt by Mr. *Coteſworth*'s dying inſolvent; and there remains 217 *l.* 15 *s.* 2 *d.* unapplied, in the Hands of Mr. *Jones*, Mr. *Pindar*, Mr. *Harvey*, and Mr. *Higgs*, late and preſent Treaſurer of the ſaid Rates.

Your Committee obſerve, that the ſaid Accounts do not intirely tally with the Book of Accounts produced to prove the ſame; but that the Variations are but of ſmall Importance, being in the Arrears ſaid to be uncollected.

Mr. *Blackerby* then acquainted the Committee, That for the other Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorne*, and *Iſlewworth*, the Juſtices could not account for the Rates further than the Year 1730, becauſe it had been the Uſage of the Seſſions, in order to avoid bringing the Treaſurers, who were Perſons of Character and Fortune, from the remoteſt Part of the County, to refer the Account of the preceding Treaſurer to be ſtated and paſſed by his Succeſſor, and ſuch other of the Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid Hundreds, as had been Treaſurers for the ſame, or any Four of them; and that no Vouchers had been delivered up to the Clerk of the Peace till the Year 1732: He therefore produced an Account only of *John Tarver*, Eſq; Treaſurer for the ſame for the ſaid Year; by which he is charged with the Sum of 42 *l.* 0 *s.* 8 *d.*; 18 *l.* 15 *s.* of which he paid to maimed Soldiers and Mariners, for which he produced Vouchers; 22 *l.* 19 *s.* 4 *d.* remained uncollected; 6 *s.* 4 *d.* being the Balance, remained in his Hands.

The ſaid Mr. *Tarver*, being preſent, acknowledged the ſaid Account to be true.

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The Particulars of theſe Accounts relating to maimed Soldiers and Mariners, with an Extract thereof, are likewiſe added by way of Appendix, Numbers XIII, XIV.

It appeared to your Committee, by the Account of Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight, that he had received of *James Clithero*, Eſq; Treaſurer for the ſaid Rates in the Year 1722 and 1723, the Sum of 63 Pounds; and that he had received from *Albert Niſbett* the Sum of 19 *l.* 11 *s.* and by Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Account, that he had received from Mr. *Bulſtrode*, Treaſurer for the ſaid Rates for the Year 1725, the Sum of 12 *l.* 18 *s.* 8 *d.* and of Sir *George Cooke*, Treaſurer for the Year 1726, the Sum of 11 *l.* 1 *s.* 4 *d.*

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced an Account of Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight, General Treaſurer for the County of *Middleſex*, a Copy of which is hereunto annexed, No XV; by which it appears, that he received of the Monies belonging to the ſaid County, 1578 *l.* 10 *s.* 6 *d.*; 1388 *l.* 16 *s.* 8 *d.* of which he diſburſed by virtue of ſeveral Orders of Seſſions for Repairs of *Hicks's-hall*, *Chertſea* Bridge, and the Houſe of Correction; ſo that there remained the Sum of 189 *l.* 13 *s.* 10 *d.* which he paid to Mr. *Coteſworth*, as appears by his Book produced by Mr. *Barnard*.

He then produced divers Orders of Seſſions for the Repairs at *Hicks's-hall*; the firſt bearing Date the 4th of *December* 1722, directing ſeveral of the Juſtices of the Peace therein named, or any Five of them, to take a View thereof, and to ſee what Repairs were wanting, and to conſider whether the ſaid Houſe ought to be rebuilt or repaired, and what it would coſt to rebuild or repair the ſame, and to conſider what Methods are fit to be taken to raiſe Money for that Purpoſe; the ſecond bearing Date the 15th of *January* following, being a Report of Nine Juſtices, purſuant to the Order of the 4th of *December* concerning the ſaid Hall; whereby the Rebuilding of the ſame is eſtimated at 1600 *l.* and the Charge of repairing, altering, and enlarging the Court, and making additional Buildings, is eſtimated at 600 *l.*; and it is thereby propoſed to apply the Surplus of the ſeveral Rates for maimed Soldiers and Mariners, *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals, and other Rates for the ſaid Repairs; but in caſe the ſame was to be rebuilt, they conceive it to be requiſite to apply to Parliament to raiſe Money for that Purpoſe.

Your Committee think fit to obſerve, That this Report was ſigned amongſt others, by Sir *Thomas Hewett*, his late Majeſty's Surveyor of the Works.

The third Order bears Date *January* the 18th 1722. reciting the ſaid Report, and reſolving that the ſaid Hill ſhould be repaired, the Court alter'd, and enlarged, and additional Buildings made; and referred it to the aforeſaid Juſtices to treat with Workmen for doing the ſame, and to lay their Proceedings before the next General Seſſions of the Peace; and the ſaid Juſtices taking into Conſideration, whether they could properly order the Monies raiſed for the Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, and for the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals, then in the Hands of the reſpective Treaſurers, to be applied to the defraying of the ſaid Expence, they were of Opinion, that they could not properly make ſuch Order, but that they might, if thought neceſſary for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, borrow Monies of the ſaid Treaſurers, by virtue of an Order or Orders to be made at the General or Quarter Seſſions of the Peace; to be refunded and paid back to ſuch reſpective Treaſurers, or their Succeſſors, by ſuch Ways and Means, and in ſuch manner, as the ſaid Juſtices of the Peace ſhould direct and appoint.

The 4th Order bears Date the 25th of *February*, 1722. and contains a Report ſigned by eight Juſtices, one of whom is Sir *Thomas Hewit*, concerning their Proceedings in treating with Workmen for the ſaid Repairs, Alterations, and Enlargements; and therein are contained the Propoſals of the ſeveral Workmen for Undertaking the ſame, and which they declare the ſaid Workmen were willing to enter into Articles for performing; the Total of which amounts to the Sum of 675*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*

The Fifth bears Date *February* the 28th 1722. and directs *Thomas Jones*, Treaſurer for the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals for the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmonton*, and *Gore*, to pay to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight, the Sum of 282*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* out of the Monies in his Hands, ſubject to the Orders of the Juſtices of the Peace in their General or Quarter Seſſions, for their Diſpoſal thereof.

The Sixth bears Date *May* the 30th 1723. and directs Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight, to retain out of the Monies paid into his Hands, as Treaſurer for the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmon-*

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ton, and *Gore*, for Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, the Sum of 400 *l.* the ſame having been, or to be applied towards the Repairing of *Hicks's Hall.*

The Seventh of the ſame Date, directs the annual Rents of the Eſtate belonging to the County hereafter to be received, to be, (after the Deduction of the Diſburſements thereout) applied to the refunding and paying back to the Treaſurers for the maimed Soldiers, and Mariners, for the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals, or other Treaſurers, divers Sums of Money by them advanced by way of Loan, by virtue of ſeveral Orders of the General or Quarter Seſſions, towards the Repair of *Hicks's Hall.*

The 8th Order bears Date *July* the 11th 1723. and directs *Robert Hardeſtie*, Gent. Deputy Clerk of the Peace, out of the Monies by him receiv'd, call'd Colt-Money, to pay to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight, the Sum of 50 *l.* upon account.

The 9th Order bears Date *July* the 9th 1724. and directs the reimburſing of the Treaſurer for maimed Soldiers, and Mariners, or other Treaſurers, ſuch Monies as had been or ſhould be borrowed of them, for the Repair of *Hicks's Hall*, out of the clear annual Eſtates belonging to the County.

The 10th Order bears Date *December* the 4th, 1724; and directs *John Waller*, Gentleman, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, to pay over the ſeveral Sums of Money by him received for the County Rents, unto Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight, ſubject to the Order of the 9th of *July* laſt.

The 11th Order, dated *January* 19. 1727, directs *Thomas Wilkinſon*, Gentleman, then Clerk to *Peter Walter*, Eſq; Clerk of the Peace, to pay to Sir *Daniel Dolins* the ſeveral Sums of Money by him received for the County Rents, ſubject to the Order of the 9th of *July* 1724.

A like Order, dated *July* 18. 1728, directs the ſaid *Wilkinſon* to pay the ſaid Rents to *William Coteſworth*, Eſq;

A like Order, dated *April* 20. 1732, directs the ſaid *Wilkinſon* to pay the ſaid Rents to *John Higgs*, Gentleman, ſubject to the Order of the General and Quarter Seſſions touching the Application and Diſpoſal thereof.

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It appears to your Committee, That the Extraordinary Expence for the Repair of *Hicks's Hall* began in the Year 1722, and ended in the Year 1726; and that what has been laid out on the ſaid Hall ſince that time, has not exceeded the annual Income of the Eſtate left by Sir *Baptiſt Hicks*, for the Repair of the ſame, the ſaid Eſtate producing annually Fifty Pounds.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced the Account of the Rates of County Bridges; by the firſt of which it appears, that the Sum of 1400 *l.* was directed to be raiſed in the Years 1723 and 1726; 1237 *l.* 9 *s.* 7 *d.* of which was expended in the Repair of the ſaid Bridges; 4 *l.* 4 *s.* 1 *d.* was uncollected on the Rate 1723; 113 *l.* 17 *s.* 5 *d.* was deficient on the Rate 1726; and 44 *l.* 8 *s.* 11 *d.* was loſt by Mr. *Coteſworth*.

By another Account it appears, that a further Rate for 200 *l.* was made in the Year 1731, for the Repair of *Brentford-bridge*; 83 *l.* 15 *s.* whereof was diſburſed for the ſaid Purpoſe, by *Henry Barker*, Eſq; 27 *l.* 5 *l.* 1 *d.* $\frac{1}{4}$ by *James Clithero*, Eſq; 20 *l.* 8 *s.* 10 *d.* by Mr. *Higgs*; and 29 *l.* 16 *s.* 5 *d.* $\frac{1}{4}$ remains uncollected; there remains in the Hands of *Henry Barker*, Eſq; the Sum of 7 *l.* 2 *s.* 6 *d.* and in Mr. *Higgs's* Hands 31 *l.* 12 *s.* 1 *d.* $\frac{1}{2}$, making together the ſaid Sum of 200 *l.*

Mr. *Barker* attended your Committee, and produced Vouchers, by which it appeared, that he had expended all the Money charged to be in his Hands to the Uſes for which it was raiſed, except the ſaid Sum of 7 *l.* 2 *s.* 6 *d.* which he ſaid he was ready to pay or apply, as the Juſtices ſhould direct.

Mr. *Clithero* likewiſe attended your Committee, and made it appear to them by proper Vouchers, that he had expended all the Money charged to be in his Hands, for the Purpoſes for which it was raiſed.

A Copy of the two Accounts above-mention'd relating to Bridges, with an Extract thereof, are hereunto annexed, Numbers XVI, XVII.

It appeared to your Committee, by Mr. *Jones's* Account, That 3 *l.* 12 *s.* 11 *d.* Part of the ſaid Arrears, had been collected by him, and remains in his Hands.

It likewiſe appeared to your Committee by Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Account, that he had received of Mr. *Nine* the Sum of 23 *l.* 6 *s.* 11 *d.* Part of the Arrear of the Rate made 1726; out of which he gives himſelf Credit for the Sum of 5 *l.* 10 *s.* 11 *d.* disburſed by him.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced an Account of the Moneys borrowed from the ſeveral Treaſurers of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, Vagrants, *Marſhalſea* and *King*'s *Bench*, from 1722 to 1726, amounting in the Whole to the Sum of 1079 *l.* 17 *s.* 9 *d.* with an Account how the ſame had been disburſed;

A Copy of which is hereunto annexed, No XVIII.

He then produced a particular Account of the Money ſo borrowed, and how much of the ſame had been replaced;

A Copy of which is likewiſe hereunto annexed, No XIX.

Mr. *Blackerby* then ſaid, that the Debt had been much more reduced, but for the following Reaſons; That the Repairs of the ſaid Hall came to 452 *l.* 17 *s.* 9 *d.* more than they were eſtimated at: That the Expences for the Repair and Furniture of the ſaid Hall, Repair of *New Priſon*, and Coals and Fees between *July* 1728 and *Auguſt* 1730, amounted to 82 *l.* 4 *s.*; That the Expences of proſecuting *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; for oppreſſing of the Inhabitants of the County of *Middleſex*, as Clerk of the Market, and the Expence of proſecuting and convicting the Clerk of *Clifford William Philips*, Eſq; Juſtice of the Peace, for Extortion in taking unjuſtifiable Fees, amounted to 136 *l.* 7 *s.* 1 *d.*, which Three laſt Articles were paid out of the County Rents: That the Juſtices, ſince the Loſs to the County by Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Death, have charged Mr. *Higgs*'s Salary of 25 *per Ann.* to the County Rents, which for 5 Years amounts to 125 *l.* for keeping the Account of all the Rates and Accounts annually; for doing of which he has 500 *l.* Security; which Salary the Juſtices apprehend, ought rather to have been charged to the ſeveral Rates in Proportion; and if that Sum had been taken from the County Rents, and applied, as at firſt ordered by the Seſſions, towards paying off the Debt incurred for the Repair of *Hicks's Hall*, it had reduced the ſame to the Sum of 613 *l.* 17 *s.* 7½: That notwithſtanding this great Repair, the Court was too ſmall for the Buſineſs of late Years, the ſame being greatly increaſed; and that by means of the Court being open,

it was ſo cold as to endanger the Health of the Juſtices and the Suitors: That the Money being thus exhauſted by the aforeſaid Expences, the Juſtices have ſince laid out the Sum of 150 *l.* 5 *s.* of their own Money, called *Colt Money*, upon *Hicks's Hall*, which otherwiſe they would have applied to the leſſening of the ſaid Debt, which would have reduced it to 458 *l.* 12 *s.* 7½. and that annually decreaſing.

He then produced an Account of Money paid from County Rents by *Thomas Wilkinſon* to Mr. *Coteſworth* from 1728 to 1730, amounting in the whole to 99 *l.* 10 *s.* 8 *d.*; 57 *l.* 3 *s.* of which was applied to the Repairing and Furniſhing of *Hicks's Hall*, and 15 *l* to the Repair of *New Priſon*, and 31 *l.* 11 *s.* 8 *d.* Mr. *Coteſworth* paid to Mr. *Higgs*, for defraying the Expence of carrying on the Proſecutions aforeſaid;

A Copy of which is hereunto annexed, No XX.

He next produced an Account of County Rents received by Mr. *John Higgs* and Mr. *Thomas Wilkinſon* from 1730 to 1736, amounting in the whole to 299 *l.* 9 *s.* 2 *d.*; by which it appears, that 93 *l.* 10 *s.* 10 *d.*, Part thereof, was applied to the Furniture and Repair of *Hicks's Hall*; 84 *l.* 15 *s.* 5 *d.* was diſburſed to ſupport the Proſecutions againſt *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; Clerk of the Market of the King's Houſhold, and *Moſes Peters*, Clerk to *Clifford William Philips*, Eſq; and 16 *l.* 4 *s.* for printing and diſperſing Advertiſements concerning the Election of Repreſentatives for the County of *Middleſex* and other Purpoſes;

A Copy of which is hereunto annexed, No XXI.

There is likewiſe charged, as due to the ſaid Mr. *Higgs*, the Sum of 125 *l.* being for 5 Years Salary allowed him as General Treaſurer; and likewiſe the Sum of 2 *l.* 1 *s.* 6 *d.* paid for Books to keep the Accounts, which makes the Diſcharge exceed the Charge, the Sum of 22 *l.* 2 *s.* 7 *d.*; which is alledged, will be made good to the Accountant by the Half-year's Rent due at *Lady-day* 1737, and which is not included in this Account.

It appeared likewiſe to your Committee by a Receipt of Mr. *Higgs*, that the ſaid Mr. *Wilkinſon* paid to Mr. *Higgs*, out of the County Rents by Order of Mr. *Coteſworth*, the Sum of Twenty Pounds, towards defending the Cauſe againſt *Thomas Robe*, Eſq;

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It appeared likewiſe to the Committee, by an Account laid before them, That the Juſtices of the Peace had expended out of their own proper Money, called *Colt Money*, the Sum of 155 *l.* 5 *s.* towards the Repair of *Hicks's-Hall*, a Copy of which is hereunto annex'd, N° XXII.

It appeared to your Committee, by an Account marked N° XXIII., that the Juſtices had expended more out of the Colt Money upon *Hicks's Hall*, than the Seſſions had applied to Proſecutions or Advertiſements, out of the County Rents.

Thomas Burdus, Eſq; then produced his Account, as Treaſurer of the Houſe of Correction of *Clerkenwell*, marked N° XXIV.; by which it appeared, that of a Rate made for 800 *l.* in the Year 1717, he had received the Sum of 393 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.*; 292 *l.* 14 *s.* 3 *d.* of which he had diſburſed before the 28th of *October* 1722, but for which he produced no Vouchers: 100 *l.* 12 *s.* 5 *d.* remained then in his Hands, but which he afterwards paid to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, as appears by the ſaid Sir *Daniel's* Accounts; and 406 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.* remained then in Arrear.

Then a Copy of a Warrant, dated the 7th of *January* 1734, ſigned by *Simon Mitchell* and *Robert Tothill*, Eſqrs. two of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, directed to *Arthur Rawlinſon*, Gent. High Conſtable for *Weſtminſter* Diviſion, in the Hundred of *Oſſulſton* in the ſaid County, was produced and read, directing him to levy the Sum of 86 *l.* 5 *d.* ½, upon the ſaid Hundred; and to pay the ſame to one of the ſaid Juſtices, in order to reimburſe one *John White*, an Inhabitant in the ſaid Hundred, the Sum of 64 *l.* 16 *s.* 8 *d.* ſo much being levied upon him by the Sheriff of the ſaid County, to make good the Damage ſuſtained by *Blanche*, the Wife of *William Milborn*, by a Robbery on the Highway within the ſaid Hundred.

Simon Mitchell, Eſq; then produced an Account, N° XXV., by which it appears, that about the beginning of *March* 1734, he received the Sum of 48 *l.* 7 *s.* 4 *d.* ¾, upon the ſaid Rate, and that he forthwith paid the ſame to the ſaid Mr. *White*: That upon the 7th of *April* 1735, he paid to the ſaid Mr. *White* the further Sum of 16 *l.* 9 *s.* 3 *d.* ¼, making together the Sum of 64 *l.* 16 *s.* 8 *d.* being the Sum levied upon the ſaid Mr. *White*, upon Account of the ſaid Robbery, for which he produced

duced Mr. *White*'s Receipts: That he allowed *Thomas Bray* his Clerk, the Sum of 3 *l.* for his Trouble in writing the ſaid Rate and Warrants, and ſerving thoſe Warrants on the High Conſtables. The ſaid Mr. *Mitchell* then ſaid, That having informed the Court of General Quarter Seſſions, *January* the 15th, 1735, of his Proceedings therein, and that there remained in his Hands the Sum of 17 *l.* 9 *s.* 9 *d.* ½, they directed him to pay the ſame over to Mr. *John Higgs* their General Treaſurer, to be diſpoſed of in ſuch manner as they ſhould order and direct.

Mr. *Blackerby* then acquainted the Committee, that this Sum was deſigned to replace part of a Sum of Money, *viz.* 23 *l.* 15 *s.* 6 *d.* then lately expended in Defence of the ſaid Hundred of *Oſſulſton*, againſt an Action brought in the *King's Bench* by one *George Morris*, for a pretended Robbery; to prove which he produced an Order of Quarter Seſſions, dated *April* the 5th, 1733, directing Mr. *John Higgs* to appear for and defend the ſaid Hundred againſt the ſaid Action.

By which Proceeding Mr. *Higgs* ſaid, That 531 *l.* 10 *s.* was ſaved to the Hundred.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced and read ſeveral Orders of Seſſions relating to the Patent granted to *Thomas Robe* and *John Matthews*, Eſqrs. of Clerk of the Market of the King's Houſehold; the firſt dated *February* the 24th, 1726, wherein the Juſtices of the Peace declare, That a Warrant of the ſaid Clerks therein mentioned, directed to *Clifford-William Philips*, Gent. then High Conſtable of the *Tower* Diviſion, commanding him to iſſue out his Precepts to ſeveral Conſtables within his Diviſion, to warn Sixteen ſufficient Men to appear before them at their Court, at the *King's Arms* Tavern in *Shoredich*, to inquire into and preſent all Abuſes in Weights or Meaſures; and alſo to ſummon all Perſons uſing Weights and Meaſures within their Diſtricts, and likewiſe ro bring the Names of all Perſons uſing Weights or Meaſures within the Diſtricts aforeſaid, is illegal, and ought not to be obeyed; for that the aforeſaid Places are out of his Majeſty's Palace and Precincts thereof, commonly called the *Little Virge*; and, *Nemine Contradicente*, reſolve to ſtand by and ſupport all Conſtables, and other Officers, who ſhall act in Purſuance of a Declaration made by them on the 23d Day of *February* then laſt paſt.

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The ſaid Declaration was then read, and is as follows; That the Juſtices being informed, that the Deputies and Agents of *Thomas Robe* and *John Matthews*, Eſqrs. Clerk of the Market of his Majeſty's Houſhold, had, and did exact, and receive great Sums of Money of Tradeſmen and Alehouſe Keepers, under Pretence of weighing of their Weights, and meaſuring their Quarts, Pints, and other Meaſures; and that ſuch Proceeding was illegal and oppreſſive, and could not be juſtified; and the ſaid Mr. *Robe* being preſent, and inſiſting on the Legality of their Proceedings by virtue of the Patent of the Office of Clerk of the Market, they, upon reading the ſaid Patent upon *Thurſday* the 23d Day of *February*, at two of the Clock in the Afternoon, being the County Day, did declare, That the ſaid Patent did not extend any further than the King's Palace and Precincts thereof commonly called the *Little Virge*.

Mr. *Blackerby* then produced a ſecond Order, dated *December* 5. 1728, diſcharging a Complaint of *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; againſt *John Weedon*, Eſq; concerning ſummoning before him, and other Juſtices of the Peace, at *Uxbridge*, *Thomas Fielding*, and *Edward Evans*, upon the Complaint of *Ann Hale*, Widow, for extorting Money from her under Pretence of being Deputies to the Clerk of the Market, and binding them over to the Seſſions, and to appoint a Committee to inquire into the Proceedings of the ſaid Clerk of the Market;

Another, dated *February* 27. 1728, in which the Juſtices take notice, that an Indictment had been exhibited by the ſaid Clerk of the Market, at the laſt General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace, againſt *Richard Norwood*, of the Town of *Uxbridge*, Gent. High Conſtable of one Diviſion within the Hundred of *Elthorne*, for unlawfully and contemptuouſly neglecting and refuſing to appear before the ſaid *Thomas Robe*, and *John Matthews*, at *Uxbridge* aforeſaid, on the 4th Day of *October* then laſt paſt, to make a Return of a Warrant by them directed to him; and that the ſaid Indictment had been found by the Grand Jury; and that the ſaid *John Matthews* had been guilty of a very indirect Practice in menacing the Grand Jury at the ſaid Seſſions, to have the ſaid Indictment found; and that he the ſaid *Matthews* ſtands preſented by the Grand Jury for ſuch Miſdemeanour: The ſaid Juſtices are of Opinion, that Application be made to his Majeſty's Court of *King's Bench*, to grant an Information againſt the ſaid *Matthews* for a Miſdemeanour, and referred it to a Committee to conſider thereof, and likewiſe in

relation to the Indictment found againſt *Richard Norwood*; for Removal whereof into the Court of *King's Bench*, a Writ of *Certiorari* had been brought by the Proſecutors;

Another Order, bearing Date *April* 17. 1729; wherein the Juſtices declare, That the Refuſal of *Richard Norwood* to appear, and make Return of a Warrant iſſued forth by *Thomas Robe*, and *John Matthews*, Eſqs; as Clerks of the Market, was in order to prevent his Majeſty's Subjects from being oppreſſed by any illegal Proceedings, or Exactions of Money, by the ſaid Clerks, or their Agents, and in purſuance of the Reſolutions of the Court of Seſſions on the 24th Day of *February* 1726, which was intended to prevent the Inhabitants of this County from being oppreſſed, as aforeſaid; and being of Opinion, that the Validity and Extent of the ſaid Patent, as now exerciſed, ought to be tried and determined for the Eaſe and Satisfaction of the Inhabitants of this County, and that the Charge of trying the ſame, and of defending the ſaid *Richard Norwood*, or any other Officer of this County, who hath duly acted, or may ſo act in purſuance of the ſaid Reſolution, ought to be defray'd by the County; They therefore direct, that ſuch Sum or Sums of Money as ſhall be neceſſary for thoſe Purpoſes, be borrowed out of the publick Monies in the Hands of *William Coteſworth*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, or the General Treaſurer for the Time being, to be from time to time repaid, and replaced to ſuch Treaſurer out of the Rents of the Eſtates belonging to the County.

The Juſtices then produced the Record of a Tryal had in the *King's Bench* in the fourth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, between *Tho. Robe* and *John Matthews*, Eſqrs. and *Richard Norwood*, concerning the Power of the Clerk of the Market, where the Jury found that the Clerk of the Market of the King's Houſeſhold could exerciſe his Office for twelve Miles round the King's Abode, except within the City of *London*; but that he was not entitled to the Sum of *Four-pence* to be paid him twice in the Year by every Perſon reſiding within the ſaid Circuit, uſing Weights and Meaſures, for the View and Examination thereof; a Copy of which is hereunto annexed, No XXVI.

They then produced a Record of a Tryal between *William Cole*, and *Edward Reffet* Servant to the Clerk of the Market, for demanding and extorting the Sum of Fourteen-pence, as a Fee for examining, marking and ſealing Pots, of which he was found guilty; a Copy whereof is hereunto annexed. No XXVII,

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They then produced an Order of Seſſions, dated *December* the 7th 1732, wherein a Complaint of *Thomas Woodford* of the Pariſh of *St. John Wapping*, againſt *Moſes Peters*, a Clerk to *Clifford William Philips*, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, for demanding and receiving of him Four Shillings for a Warrant granted by the ſaid Mr. *Philips* againſt one *Samuel Trewit* for Felony, was directed to be adjourned until the County-day of the next General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace, and the ſaid Mr. *Philips* was deſired to be then preſent to hear the ſaid Complaint.

They then read another, bearing Date the 10th Day of *May* 1733, reciting, That an Indictment had been found at the Seſſions of *Oyer* and *Terminer*, holden for the County of *Middleſex* in *January* laſt, againſt the ſaid *Peters*, for a Miſdemeanour and Extortion; and that the ſaid *Peters* had brought a *Certiorari* for removing the ſame into the *King's Bench*; they therefore direct Mr. *John Higgs* to proſecute the ſaid *Peters* in the Court of *King's Bench*, and that he be paid the Coſts and Charges of ſuch Proſecution out of the publick Money, which he now hath or may come to his Hands, as General Treaſurer for the County.

Mr. *John Higgs* being examined, ſaid, That by virtue of the ſaid Order he did proſecute the ſaid *Peters*, and that he was convicted of the ſaid Offence, and was put into the *King's Bench* Priſon.

Mr. *Higgs* being further examined, acknowledged that he had received the Salary of 25 *l. per Annum* allowed to him by an Order of Seſſions, bearing Date *June* the 3d, 1731, amounting in the whole to 125 *l.* as charged by the Petitioners.

Then an Order of Seſſions of *December* the 6th 1722. was read, directing, that no Order ſhall be made by the General or Quarter Seſſions for granting any Leaſe of any Lands or Tenements belonging to the County to any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, nor any Motion made for that Purpoſe, unleſs twenty Juſtices or more be preſent, and that a Month's Notice be given in the *London Gazette*, that the Premiſes are to be let before ſuch Order be made; and further, that no Matter of general Concernment be moved, unleſs twenty Juſtices at the leaſt be preſent when ſuch Motion is made.

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The Juſtices then inſiſted, that Mr. *Robe* and Mr. *Le Baſs* had been the Stirrers-up of this Complaint againſt them; To prove which, they called

Robert Trott, Pariſh-Clerk of *St. James's Clerkenwell*, who ſaid that he gave Warning in the ſaid Pariſh-Church on the 27th Day of *July* 1735, for a Veſtry to be held on the *Tueſday* following, to conſider of proper Methods for proſecuting a Writ of *Certiorari* iſſued out of the Court of *King's Bench* in *Trinity* Term laſt, directed to the Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, by which an Order of Seſſions of the ſaid Juſtices made on the 25th Day of *April* 1734, for raiſing Money upon the Inhabitants of the ſaid County for paſſing Vagrants, is removed into the ſaid Court of *King's Bench*.

Being further examined, he ſaid, That he publiſhed the ſame by the Direction of Mr. *John Pullen* Churchwarden.

Ebenezer Corr being examined, ſaid that the ſaid Warning was of his Hand-writing, and that he wrote it by Mr. *Robe's* Direction. He then produced the Veſtry-book of the ſaid Pariſh, which he ſaid he had from Mr. *William Browning*, one of the Churchwardens of the ſaid Pariſh, who being preſent, acknowledged that the ſame was the Veſtry-book.

Then an Order of Veſtry, bearing Date *Tueſday* the 29th of *July* 1735, (being the Day appointed for meeting by the above Warning) was read, ſetting forth, That they had great Reaſon to apprehend and believe, that there had been for ſeveral Years laſt paſt, many irregular Proceedings, by which large Sums of Money have been raiſed upon the reſpective Pariſhes and Diviſions in this County, under Pretence of paſſing Vagrants, which has been a great Burthen and Hardſhip to the ſeveral Pariſhes; therefore the Churchwardens and principal Inhabitants of the Pariſh being unanimous in their Opinion, that the ſaid Rates were directed and made contrary to Law, and the Money raiſed by virtue thereof notoriouſly miſapplied, do agree to authorize and impower the Churchwardens for the Time being, in Conjunction with *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; to ſue, or cauſe to be ſued, or otherwiſe proſecute, as they ſhall be adviſed by Counſel, how, and in what Manner, and by what Authority the ſaid Pariſhes have been aſſeſſed and taxed, and how and in what manner all Sums of Money, raiſed under Pretence of paſſing Vagrants, have been applied, and to what Uſes the ſame have been

been converted; provided the Charge, that ſhall or may accrue thereby, do not exceed the Sum of Ten Pounds; And they likewiſe impower the Churchwardens for the Time being, and the ſaid *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; to join and act in concert with any other Pariſh or Pariſhes, or Diviſions, in order for the more effectually proſecuting this Affair, and to obtain a Redreſs of the ſaid Grievances; and they alſo declare, that they will ſupport, maintain and indemnify the Churchwardens for any thing they ſhall do in Purſuit of this Matter, and in Defence of the Liberty and Property of the Pariſh, not exceeding the Sum above-mentioned.

Then *Thomas Anſel*, Veſtry Clerk of the ſaid Pariſh, being asked, By whoſe Direction he wrote the ſaid Order? ſaid, That he copied the ſame from a Paper brought into the Veſtry Room by Mr. *Robe* and Mr. *Robinſon*; that Mr. *Robe* read the Paper to him, but he believes it was Mr. *Robinſon*'s Hand-writing.

John Jennings, an Inhabitant of *Clerkenwell*, being examin'd, ſaid, That he was preſent at the ſaid Pariſh Meeting; that he went there to ſee what was to be done; that Mr. *Robe* accuſed the Juſtices of ill Conduct, and Mr. *Robinſon* likewiſe; that Mr. *Robe* adviſed the coming to that Reſolution, and undertook the proſecuting of the Juſtices; that it was he, the Examinant, that propoſed to reſtrain the Expence to Ten Pounds.

Robert Trott being again examined ſaid, That on *Sunday* the 14th of *March* 1735, he gave Notice for a Pariſh Meeting to be held on the *Tueſday* following, to conſider of proper Meaſures to be taken in order for the Recovery of the Vagrant Money which had been illegally received, and likewiſe to take into Conſideration what further Proceedings were neceſſary to be carried on in relation to that and any other Grievance of the like Nature.

Being asked, From whom he had the ſaid Notice? he ſaid, It was given him in the Desk, but does not remember by whom.

Thomas Anſell being ſhewn the ſaid Notice ſaid, That he believed it to be Mr. *Robinſon*'s Hand-writing.

Then the Proceedings of the Veſtry on *Tueſday March* the 16th were read, where they agreed *Nem. Con.* to allow to *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; 10 *l.* towards his Charge in petitioning the Parliament on account of the Vagrant Money in Conjunction with

 other

other Pariſhes ; and they then reſolved that an humble Application be made to Parliament in order that proper Meaſures be taken for an Enquiry to be made purſuant to the following Petition.

" To the Honourable the Commons of *Great Britain* in Parliament aſſembled, The humble Petition of the Church-wardens, Overſeers of the Poor, and great Numbers of the Inhabitants of the Pariſh of St. *James's Clerkenwell*, in the County of *Middleſex*, humbly ſheweth, That the Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, having for many Years laſt paſt levied very large Sums on your Petitioners, under Colour of paſſing Vagrants, repairing Bridges and Gaols, and relieving maimed Soldiers and Mariners, and divers other Pretences ; and your Petitioners having very juſt and reaſonable Grounds to believe that great Part of the ſaid Money has not been applied for the Purpoſes for which it was pretended to be raiſed ; but that the ſame has been notoriouſly miſapplied and embezzled, as your Petitioners do not doubt but they can be able to make appear to the Satisfaction of this honourable Houſe ; by the Means of which Miſapplications and Embezzlements as aforeſaid, we have been grievouſly burthened and oppreſſed with very heavy, and, as your Petitioners moſt humbly conceive, illegal Taxes and Aſſeſſments ; and your Petitioners having no effectual Method of Redreſs againſt the Perſons concerned in the raiſing, receiving, and diſpoſing of the ſaid Money, nor againſt ſuch a Violation of Truſt and Invaſion of Property as your Petitioners complain of, ſave only by an Application to Parliament, without which Aid and Interpoſition they apprehend themſelves expoſed to the like Hardſhips and Impoſitions for the future.

Wherefore your Petitioners humbly hope the Honourable Houſe will take the Premiſes into Conſideration, and grant them ſuch Relief as they in their great Wiſdom and Juſtice ſhall ſee meet.

And your Petitioners ſhall ever pray."

Then an Order of Veſtry held *October* the 12th, 1736. impowering the Church-wardens to defend that Pariſh in Conjunction with any other Pariſh or Pariſhes from any Rate or Rates that have or ſhall be illegally impoſed by the Juſtices of the Peace either at the Quarter-Seſſions or otherwiſe, was produced and read.

And another Order of Veſtry made *December* the 27th, 1736, was read, whereby an humble Application was agreed to be made

made at the next enſuing Seſſions of Parliament, in Conjunction with any other Pariſh or Pariſhes by Petition, in order to bring the Juſtices of *Middleſex* to an Account for the Vagrant Rate, and other Impoſitions; and likewiſe to oppoſe any other or further Addition of Power being granted to that Body that may any ways affect the Inhabitants by depriving them of their preſent Right in the Management of the Poor; and *William Stephens* was directed to advance Ten Guineas out of the Mortuary Money; and it is thereby directed to be allowed in his Account.

William Stephens, Grave-Digger of *Clerkenwell*, being examined, ſaid, That he paid the Sum of Ten Guineas out of the Mortuary Money by him collected for the Uſe of the Pariſh of St. *James's Clerkenwell* to Mr. *Lebas*, towards defraying the Expence of carrying on the Petition in Parliament againſt the Juſtices; that he took a Receipt for the ſame, and put it upon his File amongſt others, and that carrying the ſaid File to Mr. *Robe's* Houſe he loſt it.

Mr. *Lebas* acknowledged the Receipt of the ſaid Ten Guineas to your Committee.

James Arnold being ſhewed the Petition preſented this Seſſions to the Houſe, and being asked, If the Name *James Arnold* ſet under the Title of St. *James's Clerkenwell*, was of his writing, he ſaid, That he could not write; nor did he give any Authority to any body to ſet his Name, or know till lately that his Name was ſet to it.

Being asked, How he knew it was deſigned for his Name? he ſaid, That he believed there was no other of the ſame Name in that Pariſh.

Robert Haynes, of St. *James's Clerkenwell*, being examined, ſaid, that he ſet his Hand to the ſaid Petition at the Deſire of Mr. *Robe*, who ſaid it was for the Good of the Pariſh; but he never read it; that he refuſed at firſt to ſign it, but that Mr. *Robe* ſaid others had done it, and that his Name would never be called in Queſtion.

Being asked, If he had ever been threatened by Mr. *Michell*, he ſaid, that he never was.

He ſaid, That he was asked to ſign *Arnold's* Name; which he refuſed, but the Veſtry Clerk did it; that Mr. *Robe* ſaid, It was not

not fair, and that he ought to know it, and bid *Anſell*, Veſtry Clerk, go to *Arnold* and acquaint him with it, and that if he did not like it, he ſhould ſcratch his Name out; that this Tranſaction was at Mr. *Robe*'s Houſe.

Thomas Anſell, Veſtry Clerk, being examined, ſaid, That he was ſent for to Mr. *Robe*'s Houſe; that the Petition was there; that Mr. *Robe* deſired *Haynes* to write *Arnold*'s Name, which he refuſed; thereupon Mr. *Wedmerpoole* bid the Examinant ſet it.

Being asked, If he had any Directions to acquaint *Arnold* therewith, he ſaid No; and further ſaid, That he never heard Mr. *Robe* ſay it was not fair; and that Mr. *Wedmerpoole* told this Examinant the Morning he was examined before your Committee, that *Arnold* gave him Orders to ſign his Name.

They then produced the Veſtry Book of St. *Sepulchres*; and

William Haskins, Maſter of the Workhouſe belonging to the ſaid Pariſh, being ſhewn an Entry made in the ſaid Book dated *March* the 18th, 1735, ſaid, That he wrote the ſame from a Paper that he produced to your Committee, which he found upon a Table in the Veſtry Room, but does not know who brought it.

Being asked, Who gave him Directions for entering it in the Book? he ſaid, That Mr. *Robe*'s Clerk told him it was proper it ſhould be entered.

Being asked, If Mr. *Robe*'s Clerk belonged to the Pariſh? he ſaid No.

Being asked, How he came to take his Directions from him? he ſaid, He apprehended the Paper to be his Hand-writing; that he believed it was Mr. *Robe*'s doing, becauſe he was at the Veſtry that Evening about Six o'Clock, and the Paper was not there before he came.

Thomas Smith, Clerk of *New Priſon*, being ſhewn the ſame Paper, ſaid, That it was his Hand Writing, and that he wrote the ſame by Mr. *Robe*'s Direction in Mr. *Robe*'s Office; that *William Walker* is Mr. *Robe*'s Clerk.

Mr.

Mr. *William Haskins* then produced two other Papers, which he ſaid he found upon the Veſtry Table likewiſe.

Thomas Bray being examined, ſaid, That the two Papers ſhewed to him, and which were the two laſt produced by *Haskins*, were of the Hand-writing of *William Walker*, Mr. *Robe*'s Clerk; the Firſt is a Draught of a Petition to Parliament againſt the Juſtices; the Second, Directions for calling a Veſtry for promoting the ſame, and what was to be done at the ſaid Veſtry; the Third was a Precedent for a Demand to be made by any Church-warden upon any High Conſtable for any Money that the ſaid Church-warden may have paid the ſaid Conſtable on the laſt Vagrant Rate, with a Counſel's Opinion annexed thereto; Copies whereof are hereunto annexed N° XXVIII.

Mr. *John Robinſon*, of St. *Sepulchres*, ſaid, That he was at a Veſtry in 1735, when 10 *l.* 10 *s.* was ordered for Mr. *Robe*, and directed to be paid out of the Poors Money; that he being Overſeer of the Poor, refuſed to pay it, ſaying, What was raiſed for the Poor, could not be applied to any Thing elſe; that on the Third of *March* 1736, another Order was made to pay the ſaid Mr. *Robe* 10 *l.*; that the ſame was confirmed at a ſubſequent Veſtry; and that at a third Veſtry, the Queſtion being put for paying the ſaid Mr. *Robe*, Forty-nine out of Fifty were for it.

Your Committee obſerving that no Entry of this laſt Proceeding was made in their Books,

John Wills, Clerk to the Veſtry, was called, who ſaid, That the Affair mentioned by Mr. *Robinſon*, was entered upon a looſe Paper, and that the Church-warden declaring he would never pay the ſaid Money, and directing him not to enter it into the Book, he had loſt the ſaid Paper.

Mr. *John Wheatly* being examined, ſaid, That he ſigned the ſaid Petition; that Mr. *Robe* brought it to him, but he never read it.

Thomas Anſell being again examined, ſaid, That he and Mr. *Wedmerpoole* carried the Petition about the Pariſh of St. *James Clerkenwell* to get it ſigned, and that they had it from Mr. *Robe*, and returned it to him.

Mr. *Robert Wimberley*, of St. *Clement's Danes*, being examined, ſaid, That Mr. *Robe* came with a Neighbour of his, and asked him,

If he was not a Church-warden? that he replied, he was; that he then told him, that he had quaſhed an Order made at *Hicks*'s *Hall* for a Vagrant Rate; that he had taken Counſel's Opinion about it, and had been at great Expence, and deſired him to join with him and call a Veſtry to lay the Affair before them; that he produced a Paper to him, which he deſired might be laid before the ſaid Veſtry; that he did ſhew the ſame to the Veſtry, but that they took no Notice of it; Mr. *Robe* likewiſe bid him not ſhew that Paper to any Juſtices of the Peace, for that they would be entirely againſt it.

Your Committee think proper to obſerve, That the ſaid Paper was a Copy of the Caſe and Opinion of Counſel left in the Veſtry of St. *Sepulchres*, which is hereunto annexed No. XXVIII.

They then produced the Veſtry-Book of the Pariſh of St. *Mary*'s, *Whitechapel*, and read an Order dated *March* the 16th, 1735, directing the Renter-Wardens of the ſaid Pariſh to wait on *Thomas Robe*, Eſq; and preſent him with Ten Guineas, towards aſſiſting him in the Proſecution of ſuch Methods as he ſhall legally take for recovering of ſuch Monies already paid by ſeveral Pariſhes to their great Wrong; and likewiſe directing a Demand to be made of Mr. *Philip Betty*, the preſent High Conſtable, of the Monies by him received under Colour of paſſing Vagrants, and repairing Bridges.

Mr. *Henry Southall*, Renter-Warden, being examined, ſaid, That he paid the ſaid Sum of 10 *l.* 10 *s.* to Mr. *Robe*, and produced a Receipt for the ſame; that he ſigned the Petition preferred to the Parliament laſt Year; that Mr. *Robe* brought him another this Year, which he refuſed to ſign; that he was at a Meeting at the *Pope*'s-*Head* Tavern in or about *April* 1735, with ſeveral other People; that Mr. *Robe* and Mr. *Robinſon* were there; that they ſaid the Country had been much impoſed upon; that they produced Papers and Accounts to ſhew that ſeveral Conſtables had not been paid their Due.

Mr. *William Bryan*, of *Whitechapel*, being examined, ſaid, That he was at a Meeting at the *Pope*'s-*Head* Tavern, where it was propoſed to contribute to carry on a Proſecution in Parliament; that he ſaid nothing could be paid without a Veſtry; that ſoon after a Veſtry was called at *Whitechapel*, where 10 *l.* 10 *s.* was ordered to be paid to Mr. *Robe*; but they declared they would

not

not be concerned in a Proſecution in Parliament; that they only gave it him for his Trouble.

Mr. *John Higgs* being examined, ſaid, That when he was concerned in defending the Proſecution againſt *Norwood*, Mr. *Robe* frequently declared to him, that he would be revenged of the Juſtices, and that he would ſpend 5 or 600 *l.* to plague them; and that he would remove all their Orders into the *King's-Bench*, and particularly he would plague old *Milner*, for conſtantly oppoſing him in the Exerciſe of his Patent as Clerk of the Market for the King's Houſhold, and that he would bring them before the Parliament.

Mr. *Robert Day*, Church-warden of the Pariſh of *Chriſt-Church*, *Spittlefields*, ſaid, that upon a Summons of Mr. *Robe* and others to the Church-warden of his Pariſh among others to meet at the *Popes's-Head* Tavern on the 15th of *October* 1736, he went; that Mr. *Robe* came in ſoon after him, and ſaid, That he had left the Juſtices at *Hicks's-Hall* in a great Fright, having ſome Notion of that Meeting; that the ſaid Mr. *Robe* recommended Mr. *Lebas*, who was Church-warden of St. *Giles's* Pariſh, to take the Chair, which he accepted of, but did not change his Place; and that Mr. *Robe* likewiſe recommended a Secretary whom he called his Sideſman; Mr. *Robe* then told them, That now was their Time to apply, and that they had no Remedy but by Parliament; that the Vagrant Money had been illegally raiſed, and unjuſtly applied; that the Complaint muſt not be made in his Name, but in the Names of the Church-wardens and the Pariſhes, but that he would aſſiſt as much as poſſible; and that the Expence muſt be born by the Veſtries, it being for publick Service; that he ſaid, he was too late the laſt Year, but adviſed them to get ready this.

Being asked, Whom he was directed to enquire for when he came to the ſaid Tavern? he ſaid, For Mr. *Robe*; and doing ſo, he was carried up into a Room, where Mr. *Robe* came ſoon after.

Mr. *John Higgs* being again examined, ſaid, That upon a Preſentment of *Brentford* Bridge being out of Repair, Mr. *Robe*, at a Meeting of the Seſſions, oppoſed the raiſing 200 *l.* for the ſame, it exceeding the Eſtimate given in by the Grand Jury; that thereupon the Repair was put off for two or three Months, by which the Bridge ſuffered much; that it coſt the County 20 or 30 *l.* the more for that; that after that, the ſaid Mr. *Robe* propoſed

poſed building the ſame with Stone, and produced an Eſtimate of 1300 *l.* for doing the ſame; that he employed Mr. *Wreathock* as his Attorney to remove the Vagrant Rate in 1734.

Thomas Cleynell, Clerk to the Clerk of the Peace, ſaid, That Mr. *Wilkinſon* drew out the Charges of removing the Vagrant Rate, and gave it to him; and that he carried it to *Wreathock*, who paid him the Bill.

Mr. *Thomas Wilkinſon* being examined, ſaid, That in *January* laſt he was in Company with Mr. *Robe* at a Coffee-houſe, when he adviſed him not to carry on his Proſecutions; and that he replied, He would; and after that, that he would ſet up the Clerk of the Market's Place again.

Henry Maſterman, Eſq; Secondary in the Crown-Office, being examined, ſaid, That upon the firſt Order of Removal of the Vagrant's Rate, Mr. *Robe* paid him the Fees, and that Mr. *Lebas* paid him for the ſecond, and likewiſe for the Removal of the Orders for Rates for the Repair of *Brentford* Bridge, and Houſe of Correction.

He further ſaid, That there had been a general Complaint of the Priſoners in the *King's-Bench* of their not receiving their Money from their reſpective Counties according to Law; that he believes he may have asked Mr. *Higgs* for the ſame, and that he paid him; and that the County of *Middleſex* is not in Arrear.

Thomas Wilkinſon being again examined, ſaid, That he had been an Officer under the Clerk of the Peace for 25 Years; that he had paid the Exhibition Money to the *King's Bench* and *Marſhalſea*, being two Guineas yearly out of the Colt-Money; that he never knew the Juſtices ſpend the publick Money at any Meeting; that they always paid the Expences of the Meetings at *Weſtminſter*, and other extraordinary Expences, where the Sheriff did not treat, out of the Colt-Money.

Being asked, If he never knew any Conſtables apply to be reimburſed for paſſing Vagrants, who had been refuſed? he ſaid, That about twenty-five Years ago there was a Complaint that the Charge of paſſing of Vagrants ran very high, to remedy which the Juſtices were deſired to tax the Certificates, and thoſe that exceeded the Order of Seſſions have been refuſed.

Mr.

Mr. *John Higgs* being examined as to that Fact, ſaid, That ſince he had been imployed, all that brought proper Certificates had been paid, except the Pariſh of *St. Giles*, who have refuſed to pay the three laſt Rates.

Then an Order of Seſſions, dated *May* the 7th 1703, fixing 6 *d. per* Mile, and no more, for paſſing Vagrants, was read.

Thomas Jenner, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, being examined, ſaid, That he had never adviſed the People not to pay the Rates; that his Neighbours had often applied to him about the Vagrant Rate; and that he told them, It was a neceſſary Rate, and muſt be paid; that it was for the Good of the County; that upon Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Death he adviſed the High Conſtable not to part with the Money in his Hands till a new Treaſurer was choſen.

Thomas Burdus, Eſq; being examined, ſaid, That he had never adviſed any Body whatſoever not to pay the Rates.

Mr. *Le Bas* being ſhewn the Petition preſented this Seſſion to Parliament, acknowledged that he ſigned the ſaid Petition.

John Bradſhaw, Door-keeper to the Houſe of Commons, being ſhewn a printed Paper, intituled, *The Caſe of the Taxes and Aſſeſſments raiſed upon the County of* Middleſex, and asked, If he delivered out ſuch Papers, and by whoſe Direction? ſaid, That he did deliver ſuch Papers at the Door of the Houſe of Commons; that they were brought to him by a Porter, and that Mr. *Robe* or Mr. *Le Bas* paid him for ſo doing.

Walter Morphet, likewiſe a Door-keeper to the Houſe of Commons, ſaid, That the afore-mentioned Paper was brought by a Porter, and that Mr. *Robe* and Mr. *Le Bas* came with him, and that he ſaw Mr. *Le Bas* pay *Bradſhaw* for delivering out the ſame; a Copy of the above-mentioned Paper is added by way of Appendix, No XXIX.

The Petitioners then, by way of Reply, read

The 14th *Section* of an Act paſſed in the 43d Year of the Reign of Queen *Eliz.* Intituled, *An Act for the Relief of the Poor, concerning the Relief of the poor Priſoners of the* King's Bench *and* Marſhalſea, which directs the Juſtices of the Peace, in their General

Quarter Seſſions, to ſet down what competent Sums of Money ſhall be ſent Quarterly out of every County for the ſame, which ſhall be rateably aſſeſſed on every Pariſh; and the Churchwardens ſhall collect the ſame, and pay it over to the High Conſtable of their Diviſion; and the High Conſtable ſhall pay the ſame to two ſuch Treaſurers, or one of them, as the Juſtices ſhall elect, the ſaid Treaſurers to continue for one Year, and then to give up their Charge, with a due Account of the Receipts and Diſburſements, at the Seſſions to be holden next after *Eaſter*, to ſuch others, as ſhall from Year to Year be elected Treaſurers; and the ſaid Treaſurers, or one of them, ſhall pay over the ſame to the Lord Chief Juſtice of *England* and Knight Marſhal.

Section the 15th of the ſaid Act was likewiſe read, which directs the Surpluſage of the ſaid Money to be beſtowed by the Diſcretion of the ſaid Juſtices, for the Relief of Hoſpitals, and of thoſe who ſhall ſuſtain Loſſes by Fire, Water, by Sea, or other Caſualties, and to ſuch other Charitable Purpoſes as to the more Part of them ſhall ſeem meet.

They then proceeded to object to the Accounts delivered in by the Juſtices relating to Vagrants, and alledged, that the ſeveral Sums of Money paid to Perſons by Contract for the paſſing of Vagrants, was an Imbezzlement of the publick Money, and contrary to Act of Parliament; To prove which, they read

Sect. 10. of an Act paſſed in the 12th Year of Queen *Anne*, Intituled, *An Act for reducing the Laws relating to Rogues, Vagabonds, Sturdy Beggars and Vagrants, into one Act of Parliament, and for the more effectual puniſhing ſuch Rogues, Vagabonds, Sturdy Beggars and Vagrants, and ſending them whither they ought to be ſent*, whereby the Conſtable is directed to convey the Vagrant, as directed by the Paſs, and deliver him to the Conſtable of the Place whither he is ſent: Alſo

Sect. 10. of the ſaid Act, whereby the Juſtices of the Peace are directed to limit and direct what Rates or Allowances *per* Mile, or otherwiſe, ſhall be made for the paſſing, conveying or maintaining of Vagrants; and likewiſe are impowered to make ſuch other Orders, Rules, and Directions for the regular proceeding or acting therein, as they, in their Diſcretion, ſhall think proper, which ſhall be obſerved and ſubmitted to by all other Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, Officers, or other Perſons.

Alſo

Alſo *Sect.* the 14th of the ſame Act was read; which directs that the Chief Conſtable ſhall pay to every Petty Conſtable the Rates and Allowances aſcertained in the Certificates by him produced, atteſted by any Juſtice of the Peace, with a Receipt from the Conſtable, to whom he deliver'd the Perſon or Perſons ſo to be conveyed; which Certificate the Chief Conſtable ſhall be allowed to diſcount in his Account to be made with the Treaſurer of the County.

They likewiſe inſiſted, That the Loſs ſuſtained by *Jones*, was owing to his being appointed Treaſurer of more Hundreds than he ought to have been; To prove which they read

Sect. the 13th of the aforeſaid Act; which directs, That the Moneys to be raiſed for paſſing of Vagrants ſhall be quarterly paid to the Chief Conſtables of each Diviſion, in ſuch manner as that they may have a Quarterly Payment in their Hands; and that the ſaid Chief Conſtables ſhall, twice in a Year, or oftner, as the ſaid Juſtices ſhall direct, account for the ſame with the Treaſurer of the County.

They likewiſe objected, That the appointing Mr. *Coteſworth* and Mr. *Osborne* Treaſurers of the Vagrant Rates, neither of them being High Conſtables, was illegal; and that all the Money loſt by Mr. *Coteſworth*, amounting in the Whole to 404 *l.* 10 *s.* 8 *d.*, was an Embezzlement.

Upon the Head of County Bridges they objected, That 45 *l.* 17 *s.* 11 *d.* charged as expended in going to view the ſaid Bridges, and 49 *l.* 17 *s.* 2 *d.* paid to Mrs. *Offley*, were Embezzlements contrary to an Act paſſed in the Firſt Year of Queen *Anne*, intituled, *An Act to explain and alter the Act made in the Two and twentieth Year of King* Henry VIII. *concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways: And for Repealing an Act made in the Twenty-third Year of Queen* Eliz. *for the Re-edifying of* Cardiff *Bridge in the County of* Glamorgan: *And alſo for changing the Day of Election of the Wardens and Aſſiſtants of* Rocheſter *Bridge*; To prove which,

Sect. the 2d of the ſaid Act was read, directing the Juſtices of the Peace, at their General or Quarter Seſſions, upon Preſentment to them made, to aſſeſs every Town, Pariſh, or Place, within their Juriſdiction, for Repairing of the ſame; which the Conſtables, or ſuch other Perſons as the Juſtices ſhall appoint, ſhall collect; and the Money thereby raiſed ſhall be paid over by them to the High Conſtables, who are to pay the ſame to ſuch Perſon and Perſons, as the ſaid Juſtices by their

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Order ſhall appoint to be Treaſurers of the ſame, to be employed for amending the ſaid Bridges, and the Highways at the End of the ſaid Bridges, as Need ſhall require.

Sect. the 6th of the ſaid Act was likewiſe read; whereby the Juſtices, at their General Quarter-Seſſions, are impower'd to allow Perſons concern'd in the Execution of that Act, any Sum not exceeding Three Pence in the Pound.

Upon the Accounts of maimed Soldiers and Mariners they objected, That the Sum annually allowed to the Treaſurer's Clerk, being two Pounds ten Shillings, was an Embezzlement, and contrary to an Act of the 43d of *Elizabeth*, intitled, *An Act for neceſſary Relief of Soldiers and Mariners.*

Sect. the 5th of the ſaid Act was read; which directs, That the Church-Wardens and Petty Conſtables of every Pariſh, ſhall collect the Rate laid by the ſaid Act, and ſhall pay over the ſame to the High Conſtable; who ſhall pay over the ſame to ſuch Juſtices of Peace, or to two ſuch other Perſons or one of them, as the more Part of the Juſtices ſhall elect to be Treaſurers of the ſaid Collection; which Treaſurers ſhall continue for one whole Year, and then give up their Charge, with a due Account of their Receipts and Diſburſements, at *Eaſter* Seſſions, or within ten Days after, to ſuch other, as ſhall be ſucceſſively elected.

And *Sect.* the 14th of the ſaid Act was alſo read; by which the Surpluſage of the ſaid Money is ordered to be diſtributed upon ſuch good and charitable Uſes, as are appointed concerning Relief of the Poor, and Puniſhment of Rogues and Beggars.

They likewiſe inſiſted, That the Sum of 249*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* charged to have been expended on maimed Soldiers and Mariners within the Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorn*, and *Iſleworth*, had been embezzled, no Vouchers having been produced for the ſame; nor had it been properly accounted for in Seſſions, as it ought to have been.

They next objected to the Accounts delivered in, called Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s General Account; wherein he acknowledges to have received 277*l.* 9*s.* in order to replace Moneys formerly borrowed from the publick Moneys for the Repair of *Hicks*'s *Hall*;

Hall; 87 *l.* 15 *s.* 2 *d.* of which Money, they alledged, appears by the ſaid Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Account, to have been re-expended, and produced their Method of Stating the Account, a Copy whereof is hereunto annexed, N° XXX; by which Account it is ſtated, that he had expended as much upon the Repair of Bridges as he received on that Head; as much likewiſe on the Houſe of Correction, as he had received on that; that he had expended on the Repair of *Hicks*'s *Hall*, the Sum of 1064 *l.* 17 *s.* 5 *d.*; and that he had received only, of County Rents, 577 *l.* 2 *s.* 3 *d.*; and that therefore the Sum of 87 *l.* 15 *s.* 2 *d.* being the Difference between the Money received and Money expended on that Head, muſt have been taken out of the Money replaced, the ſaid Sir *Daniel* having acknowledged the Receipt of no other Moneys.

They likewiſe inſiſted, that the ſeveral Sums of Money expended in carrying on Proſecutions, were Embezzlements.

They then proceeded to ſhew, what Petty Conſtables had been refuſed their Money for paſſing of Vagrants, and called

John Clarke, Conſtable of *Kenſington* for the Years 1730 and 1731, who ſaid, That there was due to him the Sum of 7 *l.* 2 *s.* for paſſing of Vagrants; that he applied to Mr. *Higgs* for the ſame; that he bid him come again; that he had not Money in his Hands; that he applied at *Hicks*'s *Hall* ten or twelve times; but that he never petitioned the Seſſions; that he ſpoke to Mr. *Milner*, who told him he ſhould have his Money; that he likewiſe ſpoke to Col. *Martin*, who told him he ſhould have his Money, if he would apply in a regular manner by Petition, as *Cheſter* had done.

Being asked, if he had ever applied to *William Lonſdale*, High Conſtable of *Kenſington* Diviſion? he ſaid, That he had often applied to him; but that he ſaid, he had no Money.

Henry Burton, Conſtable of *Kenſington* for the Years 1733 and 1734, ſaid, That he applied to Mr. *Higgs* for the Money due to him for paſſing of Vagrants, being about 3 *l.* 16 *s.*; that he directed him to apply to the Court, and Mr. *Martin* adviſed him to do it by Petition; that he had been three times at *Hicks*'s *Hall*, but that he never petitioned; that one Mr. *Cheſter* had an Order of Court, and his Money paid him. Being asked, If he had ever applied to *William Lonſdale*, High Conſtable, for his Money? he ſaid, He did, and that he promiſed to pay him.

The Petitioners then proceeded to ſhew, that Mr. *Robe* and Mr. *Lebas* were not the only Promoters of the Petition againſt the Juſtices; In order to prove which, they called

Capt. *William Tarver*, Church-Warden of *Ratcliffe*, who ſaid, That one Mr. *Cockane* told him, that there was to be a Meeting at the *Pope's-head* about the Juſtices; that he went there; that Mr. *Robe* was there, and Mr. *Lebas*; that Mr. *Robe* ſaid, Mr. *Lebas* was a very pretty Gentleman, and would do great Service in the Affair againſt the Juſtices; and that thereupon they deſired him to be Preſident, which he accepted of, and deſired Mr. *Robe* to aſſiſt him, to which he conſented.

Being asked, How he came to think the Juſtices had miſapplied the Money? he ſaid, That their Hamlet had been indicted for not paying the Vagrant Rate, when not one Vagrant had been paſſed from that Hamlet for ſome Years.

Being asked, When that Indictment was brought? he ſaid, It was after their firſt Meeting.

Being asked, If he ſigned the Petition to Parliament of his own accord? he ſaid, He did, and ſo did all the Hamlet.

Mr. *Francis Cockane*, Church-Warden of *Mile-end* old Town, being examined, ſaid, That he was preſent at both the Meetings with a great many Church-Wardens and others; that they had been long aggrieved by the Vagrant and maimed Soldiers Rates; that Captain *Brookes* firſt told him of the Meeting, and deſired him to be there; that they unanimouſly appointed Mr. *Lebas* to conduct the Affair, but that he with Reluctance accepted of it; that they had not paſſed a Vagrant out of their Pariſh for Seven Years; that he was concerned in the Petition laſt Year; that Mr. *Lebas* was not; that Mr. *Lebas* was choſen Preſident at the *Pope's-head* Tavern, and Mr. *Robe* was deſired to aſſiſt him; and that, ſince that Time, he had received Letters from Mr. *Lebas*, about Meetings; that he never met Mr. *Lebas* till laſt *October*.

Being asked, If there was any Reſolution taken how to defray the Expence? he ſaid, Yes; and that Mr. *Edmund Wright* and he, anſwered for their Pariſhes bearing their Part of the Expence in applying to Parliament.

Captain

Captain *Paul Lillywhite*, Overſeer of the Poor for *Ratcliff*, being examined, ſaid, That he was at both the Meetings at the *Pope's-head* and the *Crown*; that Mr. *Lebas* was choſen Preſident; that they had a Town Meeting, before the Meeting at the *Pope's-head*; that they were deſirous of petitioning the Parliament; that they had heard Mr. *Robe* was at Law with the Juſtices, ſo they joined him, to do themſelves Juſtice and ſtand by one another, that they might know what was become of the Vagrant Money; for that not one Vagrant had been paſſed from their Hamlet for Twenty Years; that he never ſaw Mr. *Lebas* before thoſe Meetings; that their Pariſh went to Counſel, to ask Advice; that they all thought to right themſelves; that they had a Town Meeting upon this Subject before he knew Mr. *Robe*; that Captain *Brookes* told him of the Meetings at the Tavern; that he had heard Mr. *Robe* could let them into this Affair; that they agreed, at a Pariſh Meeting, to ſupport the Expence in Parliament.

Mr. *Benjamin Atkins* of *Hatton-garden* being examined, ſaid, That he was at ſeveral Meetings at the *Pope's-head* and *Crown*; that there were great Complaints about the Vagrant Money; that they agreed to petition the Parliament; that he was concerned in the former Petition to Parliament, but that he did not then know Mr. *Lebas*; that he was not ſollicited by any body to Petition; that there were Seventeen or Eighteen Perſons preſent at thoſe Meetings, and that they were all deſirous of it, and promiſed to bear the Expence out of their own Pockets; that Mr. *Lebas* was choſen Chairman at the *Popes-head*; and, that they agreed to print Summons's for their Meeting, and he to ſend them.

Being asked, Whom he inquired for at the firſt Meeting at the *Popes-head?* he ſaid, He did not well remember, but he believes he might ask for Mr. *Robe*, he having been told he was to be there.

Being asked, Who propoſed Mr. *Lebas* for Preſident? he ſaid, No particular Perſon; but it was ſaid, in general, that he was an ingenious Gentleman, and a good Penman.

Being asked the Reaſon of his complaining againſt the Juſtices? he ſaid, That their little Diviſion paid as much to the Vagrant Rate as the Pariſh of *Clerkenwell.*

Being

Being asked, If he had never applied to the Seſſions for Relief? he ſaid, No.

He further ſaid, That one *Booker*, and *Wybourn*, Conſtables of their Diviſion, had a Meeting, with others, at the *Crown* in *Hatton-garden*; and that *Wreathock* was there, and gave his Opinion about quaſhing the Vagrant Rate 1734, and undertook to do it for Ten Guineas; that they agreed to it, and it was done; that Mr. *Robe* was not then preſent, nor concerned in it; that the Examinant agreed to pay a Guinea towards it; which he did, but does not remember to whom; but is ſure it was not to Mr. *Robe*; that this was before *Wreathock* fell into his Miſfortunes.

Henry Jones, Churchwarden for *Ratcliffe* in the Year 1733, ſaid, That he had an Order from the Conſtable for the Payment of 8*l.* 13*s.* 1*d.*; but he never paid it: That he ſhewed the ſaid Order to the Inhabitants, who bid him not pay it: That he was adviſed, that he might demand to ſee the Account; and accordingly he went to make the ſaid Demand: That Colonel *Martin* huffed him, and asked him, If they muſt ſhew their Accounts to every Fellow? That other Juſtices told him, They had kept no Accounts, that their Treaſurer broke, and that they had loſt 600*l.* by him: That he was directed to come another Time; which he did: That they had then new Books; that the Accounts were not made up; but they ſhewed him ſeveral Scraps of Paper.

Being asked, If he ever applied to the Seſſions about the Accounts? he ſaid, No.

Mr. *Thomas Wakeland* of *Shadwell* being examined, ſaid, That he was Churchwarden in the Year 1731, and that he refuſed to pay a Vagrant's Rate then; but that he paid it afterwards in 1734.

Being asked, Why he refuſed to pay it? he ſaid, He thought it an Extraordinary Thing.

Being asked, Why he paid it afterwards? he ſaid, He was tired with Trouble and Expence, and paid it to ſave that: That he was ſummoned to appear at Seſſions ſeveral times: That he deſired to ſee their Books; but that he was told, They had none; but that a Committee was appointed to ſtate them; and

and when they were finiſhed, he ſhould ſee them: That Mr. *Higgs* ſaid, He was fit to be in the Commiſſion, he was ſo pert.

Being asked, If he did not ſee the Books before he paid his Money? he ſaid, He did; but they gave him no Satisfaction.

Being asked, If he did not bring an Attorney with him? he ſaid, He did, the ſame he employed to take Mr. *Strange*'s Opinion, Whether he could demand to ſee the Accounts? and that Mr. *Strange* gave it in Writing, That he might demand to ſee the Books; and that all the Juſtices acknowledged, They had no Account. But Mr. *Higgs* ſaid, If he would come again in a Month's Time, they were preparing one, and he would ſhew it to him.

The Petitioners then produced and read an Order out of the Veſtry Book of *St. James*'s *Clerkenwell*, directing Warning to be given for holding a Veſtry on *Thurſday* the 17th of *June* following.

They then read an Order made on the ſaid 17th of *June*, for appointing a Committee to audit and inſpect all Accounts relating to the Pariſh, and likewiſe to conſider of the moſt proper Ways and Means for the effectual ſecuring and defending the Rights and Properties of the Pariſh.

They then produced a Minute Book of the Proceedings of the ſaid Committee, and read an Article out of the ſame, as follows:

"At a Meeting of the ſaid Committee on the 9th Day of *July* 1736, a Precept being read, ſign'd by Mr. *Hutchins* the High Conſtable, directed to the Churchwardens and Overſeers of the Poor, and Petty Conſtables, to levy the Sum of Three Pounds, Eleven Pence, on the Inhabitants of this Pariſh, towards repairing of *Brentford* Bridge;

Reſolved,

That Mr. *Robe* (Churchwarden) do have the Opinion of Counſel thereon."

At another Meeting of the ſaid Committee on the 16th Day of *July* following, Mr. *Robe* reported, That he had had the

Opinion of Counſel on the Bridge Rate, and the High Conſtable's Precept, and that it was illegal, and could not be maintained by the Juſtices; but in Conſideration of the Bridge appearing very much out of Repair, it was Ordered, That the ſaid Bridge Rate ſhould be paid; and Mr. *Pullen* was deſired to advance the ſame.

Mr. *John Robinſon* being examined, ſaid, That he was preſent at making the laſt Order, and that Mr. *Robe* procured it to be done; and ſaid, It was reaſonable, though not legal that the Examinant oppoſed it, and quarrelled with Mr. *Robe* about it.

He further ſaid, That Mr. *Southall*, Churchwarden of *Whitechapel*, told him upon the *Exchange*, and at other Places, That if Mr. *Robe* would bring down the Petition to his Pariſh, he would get it ſigned; That he acquainted Mr. *Robe* therewith.

John Dell of *St. Sepulchres*, Blackſmith, being examined, ſaid, That he and his Neighbours were very ſollicitous for the Petition, becauſe they had paid a great many high Rates for paſſing of Vagrants; That he heard it reported in his Pariſh, that a Petition was to be drawn up, but never heard by what Hand; but that moſt of the Inhabitants, and the whole Veſtry, were deſirous to ſubſcribe it.

John Wills, Veſtry Clerk of *St. Sepulchres*, ſaid, That they had not paſſed a Vagrant for four or five Years; but that when they formerly did, they could not get their Money, particularly Twenty-eight Shillings from Mr. *Osborne*; That he attended ten or twelve times at a Seſſion before he could get an Order for it; which when he got, he received his Money from Mr. *Osborne*.

APPENDIX.

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NUMB. I.

AN

ACCOUNT

OF THE

Disburſements, made by the Juſtices, charged, as Miſapplications, by the Petitioners.

Hicks's Hall.

May Seſſions, 1723. Order for Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knt. late Treaſurer of Maimed Soldiers and Mariners within the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmonton* and *Gore*, to retain out of the ſaid Moneys, on Account of repairing *Hicks's Hall* — 400 00 0

25 *May* 1726. Report concerning Repairs at *Hicks's Hall*, in which are contained, three Payments made by Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Knight, amounting to 676 *l.* 17 *s.* 9 *d.*, and that there was then due to ſeveral Workmen for ſaid Repairs the further Sum of 386 *l.*; And Order made ſo reconfirming ſaid Report, and for the ſaid Sir *Daniel Dolins*, to pay out of the Publick Money in his Hands the Money ſo due — 662 17 9

1062 17 9

20 July, 1728.	*Per* Order, Mr. *Coteſworth* General Treaſurer, to pay Mrs. *Frances Seymore* out of the Publick Money, for the Repair of *Hicks's Hall*	2	9	6
17 Jan. 1728.	*Per* Order, Mr. *Coteſworth* to pay *Robert Kirby* Clockmaker, out of the publick Money	1	5	0
27 Feb. 1728.	*Per* Order, ſaid Mr. *Coteſworth* to pay out of the publick Money a Sum not exceeding 10 *l.* for repairing *Hicks's Hall*	10	0	0
22 May. 1729.	*Per* Order, ſaid Mr. *Coteſworth* to pay out of the publick Monies a Sum not exceeding 12 *l.* for fixing Umbrella's to the Dining Room at *Hicks's Hall*	12	0	0
Ditto	*Per* Order ſaid Mr. *Coteſworth* to pay out of the publick Money a Sum not exceeding Five Guineas, for cleaning and mending the Picture of Sir *Baptiſt Hicks*	5	5	0
14 May, 1730.	*Per* Order, ſaid Mr. *Coteſworth* to pay *Ebenezer Brathwaite* for a Chair and Velvet Squab and Cuſhion for *Hicks's Hall*	16	5	4½
9 Dec. 1731.	*Per* Order, *Andrew Osborne*, Eſq; Treaſurer of the Vagrant Rate, to pay for ſome ſmall Repairs done at *Hicks's Hall*, out of the ſaid Rate	1	1	0
24 Feb. 1731.	*Per* Order, *John Higgs*, Treaſurer, to pay out of the publick Money to *John Warden*, Executor of *Paul Warden*, Carpenter, for Repairs done at *Hicks's Hall*	1	19	0
7 Dec. 1732.	*Per* Order, *John Higgs*, Treaſurer, to pay out of the publick Money to *John Wheatly*, Glazier, for Buſineſs done at *Hicks's Hall*	2	9	0
10 May, 1733.	*Per* Order, ſaid *Higgs* to be paid out of the publick Money in his Hands, for Monies laid out about Repairs at *Hicks's Hall*	3	10	6
30 Aug. 1733.	*Per* Order, ſaid *Higgs* to pay 7 *l.* 1 *s.* 6 *d.* to *James King*, for five Umbrella's put up in the Dining Room at *Hicks's Hall*	7	1	6
12 Oct. 1734	*Per* Order, ſaid *Higgs* to pay out of the publick Monies, for a Jack and Pulley at *Hicks's Hall* (for the Kitchen)	9	9	0
Ditto	Paid by *Higgs* for Iron Stove Grate, for the Dining Room at *Hicks's Hall*, out of the Publick Money	15	0	0
		87	14	10½

Now

New Priſon.

11 Oct. 1725.	*Per* Order, Sir *Henry Penrice*, Knt. Treaſurer for Maimed Soldiers and Mariners within the Hundreds of *Oſſulſton*, *Edmonton* and *Gore*, to pay thereout the Sum of 48 *l.* 13 *s.* 6 *d.* for repairing *New Priſon*	48	13	6
8 Dec. 1725.	*Per* Order, Sir *Henry Penrice*, Knt. and Treaſurer, to pay out of the ſaid Rate the Sum of 9 *l.* 14 *s.* 6 *d.* over and above the Sum of 48 *l.* 13 *s.* for repairing *New Priſon*	9	14	6
22 Mar. 1725.	*Per* Order, the ſaid *Henry Penrice*, Knt. to pay out of the ſaid Rate the further Sum of 15 *l.* 13 *s.* 6 *d.* towards repairing *New Priſon*	15	13	6
24 Feb. 1731.	*Per* Order, *John Higgs*, Treaſurer, to pay out of the Publick Money, for Repairs done at *New Priſon Clarkenwell*	15	6	0
12 Oct. 1732.	*Per* Order, *John Higgs* to pay *Richard Jupp*, Carpenter, for Repairs done at *New Priſon*	6	14	0
		96	1	6
8 Dec. 1726.	*Per* Order, *Philip Wiltſhire*, Eſq; Treaſurer of Bridge Money, to advance and pay thereout to *Mary Offley*, Widow and Executrix of *John Offley*, Eſq; late Treaſurer of the *Hay Market*	49	17	2

Proſecutions.

29 Apr. 1731.	*Per* Order, Mr. *Coteſworth*, General Treaſurer, to reimburſe *Richard Norwood*, a High Conſtable, for Coſts of Suit in an Action brought againſt him by the Clerk of the Market, out of the firſt Money that ſhould come to the Hands of any Treaſurer; and Mr. *Higgs* is ſuppoſed to have detain'd in his Hands out of the publick Monies 28 *l.*, *Higgs* being *Norwood*'s Attorney	28	0	0
	Carry'd over	28	0	0

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	Brought over	28	0	0
Jan. 13. Feb. 24. 1731.	*Per* two Orders, *John Higgs*, General Treaſurer, was to pay and retain to himſelf out of the publick Monies, for defending the Proſecution againſt the aforeſaid *Richard Norwood*, and to pay Mr. *Mathews*, of the Crown Office, his Bill out of the ſaid Publick Money, on the ſaid Proſecution	100	3	1
18 Feb. 1733.	*Per* Order, for *John Higgs* to retain in his Hands, out of the Publick Monies, for non-proſſing an Action brought againſt the Hundred of *Oſſulſton*, for a pretended Robbery, and for proſecuting *Moſes Peters*, Clerk to *Clifford William Philips*, Eſq; for extorting 4 *s.* from *Thomas Woodford*	23	15	6
29 Aug. 1734.	The ſaid *Higgs* afterwards, by the Direction of the Juſtices, proſecuted the ſaid *Moſes Peters* for the ſaid Extortion, in the Court of *King's Bench*, 'till Judgment and Execution, and was order'd to be paid his Bill out of the Publick Money, which amounted to upwards of 20 *l.* but no Notice is taken of any Bill in the Order Books	20	0	0
25 Apr. 1734.	*Per* Order, the ſaid *Higgs* to be allowed 10 *l.* (beſides the Expence of any Proſecution) to get in and receive Monies raiſed and collected by virtue of a Rate made the 25th of *April*, 1734. for raiſing 800 *l.* for Vagrants	10	0	0
		181	18	7
	The Allowance of 25 *l. per Ann.* from *June* 1731. to *June* 1736. to the ſaid *Higgs*'s Salaries out of the Publick Monies, amounts to	125	0	0

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Advertiſements.

25 Apr. 1734.	*Per* Order, *John Higgs* to pay out of the Publick Money to *Thomas Wilkinſon*, for printing Advertiſements from Day to Day concerning the Election of Repreſentatives for *Middleſex*	11	11	0
	Per Order, the ſaid *Higgs* to pay *Thomas Bromley*, Cryer of *Hicks's Hall*, out of the publick Money, for Horſe Hire and Expences, delivering ſeveral Letters to the Juſtices, to meet concerning Repreſentatives for *Middleſex*	3	3	0
		14	14	0

Robbery.

15 Jan. 1735.	*Per* Order, *Simon Mitchell*, Eſq; to pay 17 *l.* 19 *s.* 9 *d.* remaining in his Hands, on account of a Robbery committed in the Hundred of *Oſſulſton*	17	19	9½

NUMB. II.

Seſſio Pacis tent' Die Martis in Septimana prox' poſt Feſtum Epiphaniæ, ſcilicet decimo quarto Die Januarii, Anno ſecundo *Georgii* Secundi Regis, 1728.

Midd'x ſſ'

JUrator' pro D'no Rege ſuper ſacr'um ſuum præſentant, quod ad General' Seſſion' Pacis D'ni Regis tent' pro Com' Midd' apud Hicks-hall in St. John Street in Com' præd' per Adjourn' die Jovis, ſcil' quinto die Septembr' Anno Regni D'ni Georgii Secundi, nunc Regis Magnæ Britanniæ, &c. ſecundo, cor' Andrea Osborne, Valentino Hilder, Roberto Midford, Armigeris, & al' Sociis ſuis, Juſtic' D'ni Regis, ad Pacem in Com' præd' conſervand' necnon ad divers' Felon' Tranſgr' & al' Maleſacta in eodem Com' perpetrat' & terminand' aſſign' &c. ordinat' fuit per eoſd' Juſtic' & cur' ibidem, prout ſequitur, ſcil' IT IS ORDERED by this Court, That the preſent and late High Conſtables of this County, herein after named; *viz. William Nynd*, Gent. preſent High Conſtable of the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*; *Thomas Jones*, Gent. late High Conſtable of *Holborn* Diviſion; *Wanington Grome*, Gent. late High Conſtable within the Hundred of *Gore*; and *Thomas Wilkinſon*, Gent. preſent High Conſtable within the Hundred of *Elthorne* in this County, do perſonally attend, and produce before the Court of the next General Quarter Seſſion of the Peace, to be holden for this County at *Hicks's-hall* in *St. John Street* in the ſaid County, by Adjournment, on *Tueſday* the Fifteenth Day of *October* next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon of the ſame Day, a true and perfect Account in Writing of all Sum and Sums of Money by them reſpectively received during their reſpective Continuance in their Office of High Conſtable, or after their or any

any of their being diſcharged from the ſame, for Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, for the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals, for the paſſing and relieving of Vagrants, for Repair of the publick Bridges of this County, and for Repair of the Houſe of Correction at *Clerkenwell* in the ſame County, or for any of the Purpoſes aforeſaid, and of their reſpective Payments out of the ſame, together with the Receipts and Vouchers to them reſpectively given for ſuch Payments, and alſo a true Account in Writing of all ſuch Arrears as are yet ſtanding out and unreceived upon the ſeveral Rates made for raiſing of Moneys for any of the Purpoſes aforeſaid, from any and what Pariſhes or Places within their reſpective Diſtricts, and of the true Chriſtian Names and Surnames of the Conſtables or Pariſh Officers, who have made Default in not paying of the ſaid Arrears: And hereof the ſaid preſent and late High Conſtables are not to fail, as they and every of them will anſwer the contrary at their Peril, *prout per Ordinem Cur' præd' liquet & apparet; de quo quidem Ordine prædictus Thomas Jones poſtea, ſcil' undecimo die Octobris, Anno ſupradicto, apud Paroch' Sancti Ægidii in Campis in Com' præd' debitam habuit Notitiam; dictus tamen Thomas Jones, nuper de Paroch' præd' in Com' præd' Gen' dicto decimo quinto die Octobris, Anno ſuprad' ad horam tertiam poſt merid' ejuſd' diei, ac per totum diem ill' apud Paroch' Sancti Sepulchri in Com' præd' illicite & contemptuoſe neglexit & recuſavit perſonaliter attendere, ac producere cor' Cur' General' Quarterial' Seſſion' Pacis tent' pro Com' præd' apud Hicks-hall præd' in Com' præd' per Adjournament' prædicto die Martis, decimo quinto die Octobr' Ann' ſupradicto, ad horam ſuprad' verum & perfect' Computum in Scriptis de omnibus Denar' per ipſum recept' durante continuation' in Officio ſuo Capital' Conſtabular' vel poſt ejus exoneration' ab eodem pro Relevamine Milit' & Nautar' mahemat'*, *Anglice*, maimed Soldiers and Mariners; *pro Priſon' Mareſchal' Banci Regis, & Hoſpitiis, Anglice*, the Marſhalſea, King's Bench, and Hoſpitals; *pro Conveiation', Angl'* the Paſſing, *& Relevamine Vagrantium; pro Reparatione Pontium publicor' Com' præd', ac pro Reparation' Domus Correction' apud Clerkenwell in eod' Com' ſeu pro aliquo Propo'itor' præd' ac de ejus Solution' ex eiſdem una cum Reception' & Exoneration'*, *Anglice*, Vouchers, *ipſi dat' pro tal' Solution' ac etiam verum Computum in Scriptis de omnibus tal' Arreragiis, qual' tunc fuer' a retro, Angl'* ſtanding out, *& minime recept'*, *Anglice*, unreceived, *ſuper ſeparal' Ratas fact' & levand' pecun' pro aliquo Propo'itor' præd' ab aliquibus & quibus Parochiis ſeu Locis infra ejus Diſtrict' ac de veris*

veris Nominibus, Anglice, Chriſtian Names, *& Cognominibus Conſtabular' vel Offic' Parochial' qui Defalt' fecer' in non Solution' Arrerag' præd' modo & form' prout per Ordinem præd' idem Thomas Jones feciſſe exact' & requiſit' fuit, in Contemptu dict' Dom' Regis, Legumque ſuar' in malum Exempl' omnium alior' in hu'mo'i' caſu delinquen' ac contra Pacem dict' Dom' Regis, Coron' & Dignitat' ſuas, &c.*

Joh'es Daniel, Gen', Jur' in Cur'

NUMB. III.

Midd' ff' *Jurator' pro D'no Rege ſuper ſacr'um ſuum præſentant, quod ad General' Quartial' Seſſion' Pacis D'ni Regis tent' pro Com. Midd' apud Hicks-hall in St. John Street in Com' præd' per Adjourn' die Sabbati, ſcil' viceſimo die Julii, Ann' Regni D'ni Georg' Secundi, nunc Regis Magn' Britann' &c. Secundo, coram Rob'to Thornhill, Joh'e Ellis, Hen'co Trent Jun', Willielmo Kingsford, Armigeris, & al' Sociis ſuis, Juſtic' dict' D'ni Regis ad Pacem in Com' præd' conſervand' necnon ad divers' Felon' Tranſg' & al' Malef'ta in eodem Com' perpetrat' audiend' & terminand' aſſign' &c. Ordinat' fuit per eoſdem Juſtic' & Cur' ibidem, prout ſequitur, ſcil'* IT IS ORDERED by this Court, That the preſent and late High Conſtables of this County, herein after named, *viz. William Nynd*, Gent. preſent High Conſtable of the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*; *Thomas Jones*, Gent. late High Conſtable of *Holbourn* Diviſion; *William Fletcher*, Gent. late High Conſtable of *Finsbury* Diviſion; *Joſeph Pritty*, Gent. preſent High Conſtable of the *Tower* Diviſion; *Clifford William Phillips*, Gent. late High Conſtable of the ſame Diviſion; *William Lonſdale*, Gent. preſent High Conſtable of *Kenſington* Diviſion; *John Jones*, Gent. late High Conſtable of the ſame Diviſion; *John Rumball*, Gent. and *Henry Mackris*, Gent. preſent High Conſtables within the Hundred of *Edmonton*; *William Newman*, Gent. and *Richard Wilſon*, Gent. preſent High Conſtables within the Hundred of *Gore*; *Wanington Groom*, Gent. late High Conſtable within the ſame Hundred; *Thomas Wilkinſon*, Gent. and *Richard Norwood*, Gent. preſent High Conſtables within the Hundred of *Elthorne*; *Edward Room*, Gent. *William Murden*, Gent. and *John Mercer*, Gent. late High Conſtables within the ſame Hundred; *William Chandler*, Gent. and *John Hatchett*, Gent. late High Conſtables within the Hundred of *Spelthorn*; *Thomas Rolfe*, Gent. preſent High Conſtable within the ſame Hundred; and *Edward Tickner*, Gent. preſent High Conſtable of the Hundred of *Iſleworth* in this County, do perſonally attend, and produce before the Court of the next General Seſſion of the Peace to be holden for this County at *Hicks's-hall* in *St. John's Street* in the ſaid County, by Adjournment, on *Tueſday* the Twenty-ſeventh Day of *Auguſt* next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon of the ſame Day, a true

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and perfect Account in Writing of all Moneys by them reſpectively received during their reſpective Continuance in their Office of High Conſtable, or after their or any of their being diſcharged from the ſame, for Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, for the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals, for the Paſſing and Relieving of Vagrants, for Repair of the publick Bridges of the County, and for Repair of the Houſe of Correction at *Clerkenwell* in the ſame County, or for any of the Purpoſes aforeſaid, and of their reſpective Payments out of the ſame, together with the Receipts and Vouchers to them reſpectively given for ſuch Payments; and alſo a true Account in Writing of all ſuch Arrears as are yet ſtanding out and unreceived upon the ſeveral Rates made for raiſing of Moneys for any of the Purpoſes aforeſaid from any and what Pariſhes or Places within their reſpective Diſtricts, and of the true Chriſtian Names and Surnames of the Petty Conſtables, or Pariſh Officers, who have made Default in not paying the ſaid Arrears: And hereof the ſaid preſent and late High Conſtables are not to fail, as they and every of them will anſwer the Contrary at their Peril, *prout per Ordin' Cur' præd' liquet & apparet*; *de quo quidem Ordine præd' Will'us Lonſdale, Joh'es Jones, Joh'es Rumball, Will'us Newman, Ric'us Wilſon, Ric'us Norwood, Ed'r'us Room, Will'us Murden, Joh'es Mercer, Will'us Chandler, Joh'es Hatchet, & Thomas Rolfe poſtea, ſcil' decimo nono die Auguſti, Anno ſuprad' apud Paroch' Sancti Sepulchri in Com' præd' habuer' & quilibet eor' habuit debitam Notitiam, præd' tamen Will'us Lonſdale, nuper de Paroch' de Ealing in Com. Midd' Gen', Joh'es Jones, nuper de Paroch' de Fulham in Com' Midd' Gen', Joh'es Rumball, nuper de Paroch' de Edmonton in Com' præd' Gen', Williel' Newman, nuper de Paroch' de Harrow ſuper Montem in Com' præd' Gen', Ric'us Wilſon, nuper de Paroch' de Hendon in Com' præd' Gen', Ric'us Norwood, nuper de Paroch' de Hillingdon in Com' Midd' præd' Gen', Ed'r'us Room, nuper de Paroch' de Hanwell in Com' præd' Gen', Will'us Murden, nuper de Paroch' de Hanwell in Com' præd' Gen', Joh'es Mercer, nuper de Paroch' de Hillingdon in Com' præd' Gen', Will'us Chandler, nuper de Paroch' de Littleton in Com' præd' Gen', Joh'es Hatchet, nuper de Paroch' de Bedfont in Com' præd' Gen', & Thomas Rolfe, nuper de Paroch' de Feltham in Com' præd' Gen', dict' viceſimo ſeptimo die Auguſti, Anno ſuprad' ad horam tertiam poſt merid' ejuſd' diei, ac per totum diem ill' apud Paroch' Sancti Sepulchri præd' in Com' præd' illicite & contemptuoſe neglexer' & recuſaver' & quilibet eor' neglexit & recuſavit perſonaliter attendere, ac producere cor' Cur' General' Seſſion' Pacis tent' pro Com' præd' apud Hicks-hall præd' in Com' præd' per Adjournament' præd' dicto die Martis, viceſimo ſeptimo die Auguſti, Ann' ſuprad'*

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ad hor' ſuprad' verum & perfect' Computum in Scriptis de omnibus Denar' per ipſos reſpective recept' durante reſpectiva eor' Continuation' in eor' Offic' Capital' Conſtabular' vel poſt eor' ſeu alicujus eor' Exoneration' ab eodem pro Relevamine Militum & Nautar' mahemat' Anglice, maimed Soldiers and Mariners; *pro Priſon' Mareſchal' Banci Regis, & Hoſpit' Anglice,* the Marſhalſea, King's Bench, and Hoſpitals; *pro Conveiation'. Anglice,* the Paſſing, *& Relevamin' Vagrantium ; pro Reparation' Pontium publicor' Com' præd' ac pro Reparation' Domus Correction' apud Clerkenwell' in eod' Com' ſeu pro aliquo P'pos'tor' præd' ac de eor' reſpectivis Solutionibus ex eiſd' una cum Receptionibus & Exoneration' Anglice,* Vouchers, *ipſis reſpective dat' pro tal' Solution' ac etiam verum Computum in Scriptis de omnibus tal' Arreragiis, qual' tunc fuer' a retro, Anglice,* ſtanding out, *& minime recept', Anglice,* unreceived, *ſuper ſepar' Ratas fact' & levand' Pecun' pro aliquo Prop'itor' præd' ab aliquibus & quibus Parochiis ſeu Locis infra eor' reſpectiv' Diſtrict' ac de veris Nominibus, Anglice,* Chriſtian Names, *& Cognominibus Subconſtabular' vel Officiar' Parochial' qui Defalt' fecer' in non Solution' Arrerag' præd' modo & form' prout per Ordin' præd' iidem Will'us Lonſdale, Joh'es Jones, Joh'es Rumball, Will'us Newman, Ric'us Wilſon, Ric'us Norwood, Ed'r'us Room, Will'us Murden, Joh'es Mercer, Will'us Chandler, Joh'es Hatchet, Thomas Rolfe feciſſe exact' & requiſit' fuer' in Contemptu dicti D'ni Regis, Legumque ſuar' in malum Exempl' omnium alior' in hujuſmodi caſu delinquen' ac contra Pac' dict' Dom' Reg' Coronam & Dignitatem ſuas, &c.*

Teſt' Joh'es Daniel, Gen'

NUMB.

NUMB. IV.

An Account of *Thomas Jones*, High Conſtable, as in 1722,

Charge.

				l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722. To Caſh received on the Rate		444	13 9			
1726. To Ditto received on the Rate		426	1 8			
		870	15 5	870	13	8
	Abated,	0	1 9			
		870	13 8			

Treaſurer of the Vagrants for *Offulſton* Hundred, and 1726.

Diſcharge.

N°			*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
1	Nov. 5, 1722.	By Cask paid *Anthony Buckmaſter*, half a Year due *Michaelmas* laſt	20	0	0
2	16, . .	By ditto paid *James Robinſon* and others	6	7	0
3	June 14, 1723.	By ditto paid *Anthony Buckmaſter*, half a Year due *Lady Day*	20	0	0
4	20, . .	By ditto paid *George Hooker*, and others	4	13	3
5	July 26, . .	By ditto paid *Anthony Buckmaſter*, one Quarter due *Midſummer*	10	0	0
6	Jan. 31, . .	By ditto paid ditto, half a Year due *Chriſtmas*	20	0	0
7	Apr. 13, 1724.	By ditto paid *John Franklin* and *John Street*	6	1	0
8	May 8, . .	By ditto paid *Anthony Buckmaſter*, one Quarter due *Lady Day* laſt	10	0	0
9	July 31, . .	By ditto paid *Thomas Martin*, one Quarter to *Midſumm.*	10	0	0
10	Sept. 17, . .	By ditto paid *Joſeph Ranbey*	0	19	0
11	Nov. 7, . .	By ditto paid *Thomas Martin*, 1 Qu. ending *Michaelm.*	10	0	0
12	20, . .	By ditto paid *Edward Craine*	4	9	7
13	24, . .	By ditto paid *Oaks Bickford*, and others	6	2	0
14	Feb. 10, . .	By ditto paid *Thomas Martin*, 1 Qu. due *Chriſtmas*	10	0	0
15	May 12, 1725.	By ditto paid Ditto 1 Qu. due *Lady Day*	10	0	0
16	July 23, . .	By ditto paid *Henry Mackris*, 3 Qu. due *Midſummer*	30	0	0
17	Sept. 13, . .	By ditto paid *Nicholas Ludford*, 1 Qu. due *Midſummer*	10	0	0
18	Apr. 15, 1726.	By ditto paid *Thomas Wilmot*, and others	5	15	0
19	June 30, . .	By ditto paid *Samuel Sadler* for *Jacob Wakelin*	3	5	0
20	Aug. 8, . .	By ditto paid *John Godfrey* and *Francis Oliver*	2	1	0
21	17, . .	By ditto paid *Ann* the Widow of *Nicholas Ludford*, 3 Qu. due *Lady Day* laſt	30	0	0
22	19, . .	By ditto paid *Thomas Martin*, 1 Qu. due *Midſummer*	10	0	0
23	Jan. 7, . .	By ditto paid Ditto, 1 Qu. due *Michaelmas*	10	0	0
24	Feb. 13, 1727.	By ditto paid Ditto, 1 Qu. due *Chriſtmas*	10	0	0
25	Apr. 1, . .	By ditto paid *Samuel Lee*, and others	9	15	6
26	13, . .	By ditto paid *John Rumball*	0	11	6
27	May 5, . .	By ditto paid *Zachary Clark* for *Thomas Martin*, 1 Qu. due *Lady Day*	10	0	0
28	Ditto	By ditto paid *Wannerton Groom*	3	17	6
29	June 30, . .	By ditto paid for *Henry Mackris*, at ſundry Payments, in full of all Arrears to *Lady Day*, 1726.	150	0	0
		Carried over	433	17	4

Charge.

	l.	s.	d.
Brought over	870	13	8

ARTICLES *for which Mr.* Thomas Jones *takes Credit without Vouchers*

				l.	s.	d.
Sep. 20, 1722.	By Caſh paid *Henry Mackris*			105	0	0
May 15, 1726.	By ditto paid *Thomas Colingwood*			1	10	0
Sep. 23, . .	By ditto paid ſeveral Petty Conſtables			20	0	0
	By ditto paid	4	14 6			
	Out of which paid but	2	19 0			
				1	15	6
Oct. 10, 1728.	By ditto paid *Thomas Gregg*			1	18	4
	By ditto paid *Thomas Howard*			0	10	0
	By ditto paid *John Rumball*			0	11	0
				131	4	10

Diſcharge.

			l.	s.	d.
		Brought over	433	17	4
30	Aug. 4, 1727.	By Caſh paid *Zachary Clark* for *Henry Mackris*, one Quarter due, *Midſummer*	10	0	0
31	11, . .	By ditto paid ditto for ditto	20	0	0
	Sep. 15, . .	By ditto paid ditto for ditto in full to *Lady Day* laſt	40	0	0
32	Nov. 3. . .	By ditto paid *Thomas Martin*, one Quarter, due *Michaelmas* laſt	10	0	0
33	9, . .	By ditto paid *Samuel Sadler* for *John Laws*	2	2	0
34	21, . .	By ditto paid *Thomas Cogan, & al.*	9	13	6
35	Dec. 8, . .	By ditto paid *Zachary Clark* for *Henry Mackris*, one half Year due *Michaelmas*	20	0	0
36	Jan. 31, . .	By ditto paid Ditto for *Thomas Martin*	10	0	0
37	May 15, 1728.	By ditto paid *Sarah* the Widow of *Thomas Clayton* deceaſed	3	4	0
38	Aug. 2, . .	By ditto paid *Zachary Clark*, for *Anthony Buckmaſter*	10	0	0
39	Oct. 10, . .	By ditto paid Ditto for *Henry Mackris*, by Order of Court	20	0	0
40	Feb. 14, . .	By ditto paid *William Bavin, & al.*	2	19	0

The following Sums were in the ſame Order, and do not appear to be paid, *viz.*

	l.	s.	d.
Thomas Herbert	0	6	6
Philip Armſtrong	0	3	6
Thomas Howard	0	10	0
John Rumbald	0	11	0
Joſeph Osborn	0	5	6
	1	16	6

	591	15	10
By Caſh paid Sir *Daniel Dolins*, General Treaſurer, with which Sir *Daniel* chargeth himſelf in his Account	138	0	10
By ſundry Sums charged in his Account as paid, for which no Vouchers appear	131	4	10
	861	1	6
Due to Ballance from Mr. *Jones*	9	12	2
	870	13	8

NUMB. V.

VAGRANTS

Thomas Jones, Treaſurer for the Hundreds

Charge.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722.	To the Proportion of a Rate for 800 *l.* for paſſing of Vagrants in the County of *Middleſex*, on the above Three Hundreds made in *October* Seſſions	743	1	0
1726.	To the Proportion of a Rate for 800 *l.* for the ſame Service and Hundreds made in *April* Seſſions	743	1	0
		1486	2	0

Note,

This Account is the beſt that can be given, and was made up from Mr. *Jones*'s Account and Vouchers, by which there appears to be 131 *l.* 4 *d.* 10 *d.* not accounted for, beſides the Ballance of 9 *l.* 12 *s.* 2 *d.*

NUMB. VI.

William Murden, Gentleman, Treaſurer for the

Charge.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722.	To the Proportion of a Rate for 800 *l.* for paſſing of Vagrants in the County of *Middleſex*, on the above Three Hundreds, made in *October* Seſſions	56	19	0
1726.	To the Proportion of a Rate for 800 *l.* for the ſame Service and Hundreds made in *April* Seſſions	56	19	0
		113	18	0

Note: This is the beſt Account that can be given, and was made up from Mr. *Murden*'s Account and Vouchers, which he deliver'd to the Committee, but died very ſoon after.

ACCOUNT.

of *Offulſton*, *Edmonton* and *Gore*.

Diſcharge.

		l.	s.	d.
1722.	By Deficiencies on the Rate, being the Proportion for the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, who paſs their own Vagrants, as having a ſeparate Treaſurer	272	6	11
	By ditto, for the *Tower* Liberty on the like Account	5	12	1
1726.	By ditto on the ſecond Rate for the City of *Weſtminſter*	272	6	11
	By ditto for the *Tower* Liberty	5	12	1
	By Diſburſements by Mr. *Jones*, for which proper Vouche s are in the Treaſurer's Hands, as *per* his Account made up from them	591	15	10
	By a further Sum, charged in his Account to have been paid away, for which no Vouchers appear; for which Reaſon, and for his not paying the reſt of the Money in his Hands, his Account remain'd unpaſſed, and he was indicted	131	4	10
	By Caſh paid Sir *Daniel Dolins*, General County Treaſurer, with which Sir *Daniel* chargeth himſelf in his Account	138	0	10
		861	1	6
	By Arrears uncollected of the ſaid Rates on the above Three Hundreds	59	10	4
		1476	9	10
	Due to Balance from Mr. *Jones*	9	12	2
		1486	2	0

Hundreds of *Elthorne*, *Spelthorne* and *Iſleworth*.

Diſcharge.

	l.	s.	d.
By ſundry Sums paid for paſſing Vagrants, as *per* his Account and Vouchers, in the Clerk of the Peace's Hands	50	16	11
By Deficiencies at the Time of his Death	57	13	1
By Caſh paid Mr. *Parker* by Order, for which no Voucher produced	5	8	0
	113	18	0

NUMB. VII.

VAGRANTS

William Coatſworth, Eſq;

Charge.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1729.	To a Rate for paſſing Vagrants in the County of *Middleſex*, by Order of Seſſions, the 9th of *October*	800	0	0

Note.

This Account is made up from a Copy of Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Account, by Mr. *Barnard*, on Behalf of Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Executors.

ACCOUNT.

County Treaſurer.

Diſcharge.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1729.	By Deficiencies on the Rate, being the Proportion for the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, who paſs their own Vagrants, as having a ſeparate Treaſurer	272	6	11
	By Ditto for the *Tower*, on the like Account	5	12	1
	By Arrears uncollected of the ſaid Rate, or in the Hands of Mr. *Coatſworth*, not brought to Account, it appearing by a Book wrote in his own Hand, that he received but 185 *l.* 7 *s.* 7 *d.*	336	14	2
	By Diſburſements by him, as appears in the ſaid Book	107	16	5
		722	9	7
	By Ballance due from Mr. *Coatſworth*, at the Time of his Death, beſides what has appeared to the Committee, to have been paid him by *Richard Weſton*, or others	77	10	5
		800	0	0

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NUMB. VIII.

Vagrants Account in 1731.

Charge.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1731.	To a Rate for — — — —	800	0	0
	To Caſh paid the Surveyors for their Trouble in attending ſeveral Days diſallowed, tho' charged in his Diſburſement — —	2	2	0
		802	2	0

NUMB. IX.

An Account of the Arrears of the Vagrant

Charge.

1731.	To ſundry Sums paid into the Hands of Mr. *John Higgs*, General Treaſurer, being Part of the Arrear of 336 *l.* 14 *s.* 2 *d.* mentioned in Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Account, on the Rate 1729. between the 10th of *January* 1731, and the 22d of *December*, 1732.	102	6	5

An Account of the Arrears of the Vagrant

NUMB. X.

Charge.

1733.	To Ballance due on his Account of the Arrears in 1729.	43	9	8
	To Ballance received of *Andrew Osborne*, Eſq; on the Rate 1731.	41	4	0
	To Caſh received of ſeveral High Conſtables, being Part of the Arrear of 473 *l.* 1 *s.* 6 *d.* of the Rate 1731. in Mr. *Osborne*'s Account	71	12	4
		156	6	0
	Ballance due to Mr. *Higgs*	4	19	2
		161	5	2

Andrew Osborne, Esq; Treasurer.

Discharge.

				l.	s.	d.
By Arrears not collected, as appears by his Account	272	6	11	473	1	6
	5	12	1			
	195	2	6			
By sundry Disbursements, as enter'd in his Account				287	16	6
				760	18	0
By Ballance of this Account paid to Mr. *Higgs*, *Dec.* 18. 1733.				41	4	0
				802	2	0

Rate in 1729. *John Higgs*, General Treasurer.

Discharge.

By sundry Disbursements by him	58	16	9
Due to Ballance	43	9	8
	102	6	5

Rate in 1731. paid to Mr. *Higgs*, General Treasurer.

Discharge.

By sundry Disbursements between the 14th of *May*, 1733. and the 31st of *January*, 1734. as by his Account	161	5	2

An EXTRACT *of the Vagrant Accounts.*

	Rates.	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Anno 1722	800			
1726	800			
1729	800	4000	0	0
1731	800			
1734	800			
Overpaid by Mr. *Higgs*		4	19	2
		4004	19	2

			l.	*s.*	*d.*
Applied to the Service for which it was raiſed			1258	5	1
Deficiencies on the five Rates, *viz.*	*Weſtminſter*	1361 14 7	2386	17	4
	Tower	28 0 5			
	County	997 2 4			
Borrowed for the Repairs of *Hicks's-Hall*			138	0	10
Loſt by Mr. *Jones*, or in his Hands		140 17 0	218	7	5
Loſt by Mr. *Coatſworth's* dying inſolvent		77 10 5			
Remains in Mr. *Osborn's* hands			3	8	6
			4004	19	2

As more fully appears by the underwritten Particulars.

	Applied.			Weſtminſter Deficiency.			Tower Deficiency.			County Deficiency.			Arrears received.			Sums borrowed.			Sums loſt.			Remains.		
	l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
N° V.	591	15	10	272	6	11	5	12	1							138	0	10	140	17	0			
	-	-	-	272	6	11	5	12	1	59	10	4												
VI.	56	4	11							57	13	1												
VII.	167	16	5	272	6	11	5	12	1	336	14	2							77	10	5			
VIII.	282	6	0	272	6	11	5	12	1	195	2	6										3	8	6
IX.	58	16	9										102	6	5									
X.	161	5	2	272	6	11	5	12	1	522	1	0	71	12	4									
	1258	5	1	1,361	14	7	28	0	5	1,171	1	1	173	18	9	138	0	10	218	7	5	3	8	6
										173	18	9												
										997	2	4												

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NUMB. XI.

Marſhalſea, King's-Bench, *and Hoſpitals*

Charge. Thomas Jones,

			l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
Sept. 5. 1722.	To Caſh receiv'd of Mr. *John Mills* Treaſurer for *Oſſulſton, Edmonton, Gore*, from the Year 1707 excluſive, to the Year 1718 incluſive, being eleven Years the Ballance of his Account purſuant to an Order dated the 17th of *July* 1722		170	0	0			
Jan. 10.	To ditto of *Nath. Chandler* Treaſurer for the Years 1719, 1720 and 1721		85	13	0			
1722.	To a Rate made in *Eaſter* Seſſions		30	4	6			
						285	17	6
1723.	To ditto					30	4	6
1724.	To ditto					30	4	6
1725.	To ditto					30	4	6
1726.	To ditto					31	10	0
1727.	To ditto					31	10	0
						439	11	0

Charge. James Sharpleſs,

1728.	To a Rate in *Eaſter* Seſſions	31	10	0
1729.	To ditto	31	10	0
1730.	To ditto	31	10	0
		94	10	0

Charge. Alexander Clarke,

1731.	To a Rate in *Eaſter* Seſſions	31	10	0
1732.	To ditto	31	10	0
		63	0	0

Charge. *Mr.* John Higgs,

1733.	To Caſh receiv'd of Mr. *Sharpleſs* the Ballance of his Account	33	0	10
	To dit. of ſundry High Conſtables, being Arrears of former Rates	15	7	1
	To dit. of *Alex. Clarke* the Ballance of his Account at 3 Payments	46	6	4
		94	14	3

for Offulſton, Edmonton *and* Gore.

High Conſtable, Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

		l.	s.	d.
1722.	By Caſh paid to Sir *Daniel Dolins* by Order of *Feb.* Seſſions 1722, being borrowed for the Repairs of *Hicks*'s Hall	285	17	4
	By Deficiencies on the Rate in 1725	5	12	8
	By ditto in 1726	6	3	6
		297	13	6
	Due to Ballance in Mr. *Jones*'s Hands	141	17	6
		439	11	0

High Conſtable, Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

1730.	By Caſh received of ſeveral High Conſtables, and paid by him to Mr. *Higgs* at three Payments	33	0	10
	By Deficiencies on the three Rates	61	9	2
		94	10	0

High Conſtable, Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

1732.	By Caſh receiv'd of ſeveral High Conſtables, and by him paid into Mr. *Higgs* the General Treaſurer's Hands at four Payments	46	6	4
	By Deficiencies on the two Rates, or in Mr. *Clarke*'s Hands	16	13	8
		63	0	0

Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

1735.	By Diſburſements for Exhibition Money, a Book, *&c. per* Mr. *Higgs*'s Account				9	18 0
	By Caſh remaining in Mr. *Higgs*'s Hands				84	16 3
	In Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Hands at the Time of his Death, by him receiv'd of *Richard Wilſon*, the Ballance of his Accounts for the Years 1727 and 1729	*l.* 4	*s.* 15	*d.* 4	*L.* 94	14 3

An EXTRACT *of the Account of* Marſhalſea, King's-Bench, *and Hoſpitals for* Oſſulſton *Hundred*, &c.

	l.	s.	d.
Exhibition Money, *&c.*	9	18	0
Deficiencies on the Rates	69	16	7
Borrowed for Repairs of *Hicks's-Hall*	285	17	4
Loſt by Mr. *Jones*, or in his hands — l. 141 17 6			
Loſt by Mr. *Coatſworth's* dying inſolvent — 4 15 4	146	12	10
Remains unapplied	84	16	3
	597	1	0

As more fully appears by the underwritten Particulars.

N°. XI.

	Rates. l.	s.	d.	Arrears. l.	s.	d.	Arrears Collected. l.	s.	d.	Exhibition Money. l.	s.	Sums borrowed. l.	s.	d.	Sums loſt. l.	s.	d.	Remains. l.	s.	d.
Anno 1722	30	4	6									285	17	4						
1723	30	4	6																	
1724	30	4	6																	
1725	30	4	6	5	12	8														
1726	31	10	0	6	3	6														
1727	31	10	0				2	7	8						141	17	6			
1728	31	10	}																	
1729	31	10	}	61	9	2	2	7	8											
1730	31	10	}												4	15	4			
1731	31	10	}	16	13	8														
1732	31	10	}																	
1733							15	7	1											
1734																				
1735										9	18	0								
1736																		84	16	3
	341	8	0	89	19	0	20	2	5	9	18	0	285	17	4	146	12	10	84	16	3
				20	2	5														
				69	16	7														

		l.	s.	d.
1722	Balance in the Treaſurer's hands	255	13	0
	Rates	341	8	0
		597	1	0

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NUMB. XII.

Marſhalſea, King's Bench *and Hoſpitals for*

Charge. *William Murden*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722.	To a Rate made in *Eaſter* Seſſions for - -	13	8	8
1723.	To *ditto* - - - - -	13	8	8
1724.	To *ditto* - - - - - -	13	8	8
1725.	To *ditto* - - - - - - -	13	8	8
1726.	To *ditto* - - - - - - - -	13	8	8
		67	3	4

Thomas Wilkinſon

1727.	To a Rate made in *Eaſter* Seſſions for - -	13	8	8
1728.	To *ditto* - - - - - -	13	8	8
		26	17	4

John Paine

1731.	To a Rate made in *Eaſter* Seſſions for - -	13	8	8
1732.	To *ditto* - - - - - - -	13	8	8
		26	17	4

Mr. *John Higgs*

1732.	To Caſh paid into his Hands by Mr. *John Paine*, being the Balance of his Accounts - -	4	3	2
1734.	To *ditto* paid him by *William Nicholls* High Conſtable of *Speltborne*, part of the Deficiencies of 1731 and 1732 - - - - -	3	18	0
		8	1	2

Elthorne, Spelthorne, *and* Ifleworth.

Gent. Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722.	By Caſh paid Sir *Daniel Dolins*, by Mr. *Murden*, as *per* Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Account - -	20	0	0
1726.	By *ditto* paid *ditto* by Mr. *Nine*, one of the High Conſtables, as *per ditto* - - - - -	30	0	0
	By Deficiencies on the Five Rates - - -	17	3	4
		67	3	4

Gent. Treaſurer.

1728.	By Caſh in *Thomas Wilkinſon*'s Hands, as appears by a Letter dated 7th *June* 1728. to have been received by him - - - - - -	3	5	0
	By Deficiencies on the two Rates - - -	23	12	4
		26	17	4

Gent. Treaſurer.

1732.	By Caſh paid to Mr. *John Higgs* General Treaſurer	4	3	2
	By Deficiencies on the Two Rates - - -	22	14	2
		26	17	4

General Treaſurer.

1734.	By Caſh remaining in Mr. *Higgs*'s Hands as *per* his Account - - - - - - -	8	1	2

An EXTRACT *of the Account of* Marſhalſea, King's-Bench, *and Hoſpitals, for* Elthorne *Hundred*, &c.

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
Deficiencies	59	11	10
Borrowed	50	0	0
Remains Unapplied	11	6	2
	120	18	0

As more fully appears by the Under-written PARTICULARS;

N° XII.	Rates.			Arrears not Collected.			Arrears Collected.			Sums Borrowed.			Remains.		
	l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Anno 1722	13	8	8							20	0	0			
1723	13	8	8												
1724	13	8	8	17	3	4									
1725	13	8	8												
1726	13	8	8							30	0	0			
1727	13	8	8												
1728	13	8	8	23	12	4							3	5	0
1729															
1730															
1731	13	8	8	22	14	2									
1732	13	8	8												
1733							3	18	0						
1734															
1735													8	1	2
1736															
	120	18	0	63	9	10	3	18	0	50	0	0	11	6	2
				3	18	0									
				59	11	10									

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NUMB. XIII.

The Accounts of the ſeveral Treaſures for maimed Soldiers and Gore *from the Year* 1722, *to*

Charge. Sir *Daniel Dolins*,

		l.	s.	d.
1722.	To Caſh received by Sir *Daniel Dolins*, Treaſurer, for the Year 1722, the Balance of Sir *Iſaac Tillard*'s Account for the Year 1721.	391	18	2
	To a Rate for the Year 1722. - - -	85	16	0
	To the Arrears of the ſaid Rate uncollected —	1	6	0
		479	0	2

Sir *John Gonſon*,

1723.	To the Balance of Sir *Dan. Dolins*'s Account paid to Sir *John Gonſon* the ſucceeding Treaſurer	35	4	2
	To Rate for the Year 1723 - - - -	85	16	0
	To the Arrears of the ſaid Rate uncollected	1	6	0
		122	6	2

Sir *Henry Bateman*,

1724.	To the Balance of Sir *John Gonſon*'s Account paid to Sir *Henry Bateman* the ſucceeding Treaſurer	85	5	2
	To a Rate for the Year 1724. - - .	85	16	0
	To the Arrears of the ſaid Rate uncollected -	1	6	0
		172	7	2

Sir *Henry Penrice*,

1725.	To the Balance of Sir *Henry Bateman*'s Account paid to Sir *Henry Penrice* the ſucceeding Treaſurer - - - - - - - -	130	16	2
	To a Rate for the Year 1725. - - - -	85	16	0
	To the Arrears of the ſaid Rate uncollected	1	6	0
		217	18	2

and Mariners for the Hundreds of Oſſulſton, Edmonton, *the Year* 1736, *both inclusive.*

Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722.	By Caſh paid to ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account paſſed by the Committee of Accounts — — — —	40	0	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk for collecting the Money and paying the Penſions as uſual — — —	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the Rate — — —	1	6	0
	By Caſh retained in the Accomptants Hands, being borrowed for and towards the Repairs of the Seſſions-Houſe of *Hicks's-Hall* by Order of Seſſions, *May* 20, 1723. — — —	400	0	0
		443	16	0
	Due to Ballance	35	4	2
		479	0	2

Treaſurer.

1723.	By Caſh paid to ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated - - -	33	5	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk as uſual - - -	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the Rate - - - -	1	6	0
		37	1	0
	Due to Balance	85	5	2
		122	6	2

Treaſurer.

1724.	By Caſh paid to ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account paſſed - - - -	37	15	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual - - -	2	10	0
	By the Arrear of the Rate - - - -	1	6	0
		41	11	0
	Due to Balance	130	16	2
		172	7	2

Treaſurer.

1725.	By Caſh paid to ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account paſſed - - - -	29	10	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual - - -	2	10	0
	By *ditto* paid by Order of Seſſions for the Repair of *New-Priſon*, being borrowed, and to be repaid	73	11	6
	By the Arrears of the Rate - - - -	1	6	0
		106	17	6
	Due to Balance	111	00	8
		217	18	2

Charge. *Nicholas Jeffreys,*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1726.	To the Balance of Sir *Henry Bateman's* Account paid to *Nicholas Jeffreys*, Esq; the succeeding Treasurer - - - - - -	111	0	8
	To sundry Sums received in Part of a Rate for the Year 1726. of the High Constable -	62	13	7
	To the Arrears of the said Rate uncollected -	25	14	5
		199	8	8

Thomas Thayer,

1727.	To the Balance of Mr. *Jeffrey's* Account, paid to *Thomas Thayer*, Esq; succeeding Treasurer	143	4	3
	To Cash received of several High Constables, in Part of a Rate for the Year 1727. -	32	3	0
	To the Arrears of the said Rate - -	56	5	0
	To Cash received of *Joshua Walker*, Keeper of *New Prison*, *per* Order of Sessions dated the 2d Day of *March*, in Part of 73 *l.* 11 *s.* 6 *d.* borrowed for the Repairs of *New Prison*, by Order of Sessions dated the said 2d Day of *March* - - - - - -	30	0	0
		261	12	3

Barwell Smith,

1728.	To the Balance of Mr. *Thayer's* Account, paid to *Barwell Smith*, Esq; succeeding Treasurer	175	2	3
	To Cash received of several High Constables, in Part of a Rate for the Year 1728 - -	75	16	8
	To the Arrears of the said Rate - - -	12	11	4
	To Arrears of the Rate *Anno* 1726, received of Mr. *Jones* of *Kensington* Division - -	11	5	4
		274	15	7

Robert Hinde,

1729.	To the Balance of *Barwell Smith*, Esq; his Account paid to *Robert Hinde*, Esq; succeeding Treasurer - - - - - - - - -	233	14	3
	To Cash received of several High Constables in Part of a Rate for the Year 1729. - -	58	18	8
	To the Arrears of the said Rate - - - - -	29	9	4
		322	2	3

Eſq; Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1726.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	28	0	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the Rate	25	14	5
		56	4	5
	Due to Balance	143	4	3
		199	8	8

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1727.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account paſſed	27	15	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the Rate	56	5	0
		86	10	0
	Due to Balance	175	2	3
		261	12	3

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1728.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	26	0	0
	By *ditto* paid to the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the Rate	12	11	4
		41	1	4
	Due to Ballance	233	14	3
		274	15	7

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1729.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account paſſed	30	10	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the Rate	29	9	4
		62	9	4
	Due to Ballance	259	12	11
		322	2	3

Charge. *Thomas Milner,*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1730.	To the Balance of Mr. *Hinde*'s Account, paid to *Thomas Milner*, Esq; succeeding Treasurer	259	12	11
	To Cash receiv'd of several High Constables, in Part of the Rate for the Year 1730. -	44	12	8
	To Arrears of the said Rate - - -	43	15	4
		348	0	11

Thomas Pindar,

1731.	To the Balance of Mr. *Milner*'s Account, paid to *Thomas Pindar*, Esq; succeeding Treasurer	268	15	7
	To Cash received in Part of the Arrear on the Rate 1730. - - - - -	8	4	8
	To *ditto* received of several High Constables, in Part of a Rate for the Year 1731. -	51	2	8
	To Arrears of the said Rate - -	37	5	4
		365	8	3

Thomas Pindar,

1732.	To Balance of his Account for the Year 1731.	292	12	11
	To Cash received in Part of the Arrears on the said Rate 1731. - - - - -	5	19	2
	To *ditto* received of several High Constables, in Part of the Rate 1732. - - -	62	18	2
	To Arrears of the said Rate - - -	25	9	10
		387	0	1

Jacob Harvey,

1733.	To Balance of Mr. *Pindar*'s Account paid to *Jacob Harvey*, Esq, succeeding Treasurer -	303	13	5

Eſq; Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1730.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	33	0	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the ſaid Rate	43	15	4
		79	5	4
	Due to Balance	268	15	7
		348	0	11

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1731.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	33	0	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the ſaid Rate	37	5	4
		72	15	4
	Due to Balance	292	12	11
		365	8	3

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1732.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	51	15	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
	By the Arrears of the ſaid Rate	25	9	10
		79	14	10
	Due to Balance	303	13	5
		383	8	3
	Note, More due from Mr. *Pindar*, *per* Error of 3 *l.* 11 *s.* 10 *d.* received, but not brought to Account, for which he is Debtor	3	11	10
		387	0	1

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1733.	By Caſh paid maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	19	0	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
		21	10	0
	Due to Balance, over and above the 3 *l.* 11 *s.* 10 *d.* Error in Mr. *Harvey*'s Account	282	3	5
		303	13	5

Charge. *Jacob Harvey,*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1734.	To Balance of his Account for the Year 1733. -	282	3	5

Jacob Harvey

1735.	To Balance of his Account for the Year 1734.	250	3	5

Jacob Harvey

1736.	To Balance of his Account for the Year 1735.	193	13	5

John Higgs

1734.	To Cash received of sundry High Constables, being the Arrears of Rates - - - - -	56	18	9

Balances remaining in

Mr. *Pindar's* - - -
Mr. *Harvey's* - - -
Mr. *Higgs's* - - -
Mr. *Jones*, as *per* his Account appears
Mr. *Cotsworth* - - -

Eſq; Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1734.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	29	10	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
		32	0	0
	Due to Balance	250	3	5
		282	3	5

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1735.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	54	0	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
		56	10	0
	Due to Balance	193	13	5
		250	3	5

Eſq; Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1736.	By Caſh paid ſeveral maimed Soldiers and Mariners, as *per* Account ſtated	39	0	0
	By *ditto* paid the Clerk, as uſual	2	10	0
		41	10	0
	Due to Balance	152	3	5
		193	13	5

Gent. Treaſurer.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1734.	By Caſh paid for the Book to keep the Account in	00	11	6
	Due to Balance	56	7	3
		56	18	9

the Treaſurers Hands, Viz.

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
-	3	11	10
-	152	3	5
-	56	7	3
-	5	12	8
-	19	18	8
-	237	13	10

An

An Extract of the ACCOUNT *of maimed Soldiers and Mariners for* Offulfton *Hundred*, &c.

		l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
An. 1721.	Balance in the Treaſurer's Hands	391	18	2			
	Rates from 1722 to 1732	967	4	0			
1727.	Balance in Mr. *Jones*'s Hands	5	12	8			
	In Mr. *Coteſworth*'s Hands	19	18	8			
		1384	13	6			
	Applied to the Service for which it was raiſed				550	1	6
	Deficiencies on the above Rates				153	6	8
	Borrow'd for repairing *Hicks's-Hall*, not yet re-placed	400	0	0			
	Ditto for repairing *New Priſon*	43	11	6	443	11	6
	Remains unapplied for maimed Soldiers and Mariners				217	15	2
	Loſt by Mr. *Coteſworth*'s dying inſolvent				19	18	8
					1384	13	6

As more fully appears by the under-written Particulars,

N°. XIII.

	Rates.			Received.			Arrears not collected.			Arrears collected.			Borrowed.			Repaid.			Applied.			Loſt.		
	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
1722.	87	2	0	85	16	0	1	6	0				400	0	0				42	10	0			
1723.	87	2	0	85	16	0	1	6	0										35	15	0			
1724.	87	2	0	85	16	0	1	6	0										40	5	0			
1725.	87	2	0	85	16	0	1	6	0				73	11	6				32	0	0			
1726.	88	8	0	62	13	7	25	14	5										30	10	0			
1727.	88	8	0	32	3	0	56	5	0							30	0	0	30	5	0			
1728.	88	8	0	75	16	8				12	11	4							28	10	0	12	11	4
										11	5	4												
1729.	88	8	0	58	18	8	29	9	4										33	0	0			
1730.	88	8	0	44	12	8	43	15	4										35	10	0	7	7	4
1731.	88	8	0	51	2	8	37	5	4	8	4	8							35	10	0			
1732.	88	8	0	62	18	2	25	9	10	5	19	2							54	5	0			
1733.																			21	10	0			
1734.																			32	0	0			
1735.																			56	10	0			
1736.										56	18	9							42	1	6			
	967	4	0	731	9	5	235	14	7	94	19	3	473	11	6	30	0	0	550	1	6	19	18	8
				82	7	11	82	7	11	12	11	4	30	0	0									
				813	17	4	153	6	8	82	7	11	443	11	6									
				153	6	8																		
				967	4	0																		

	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
In Mr. *Pindar*'s Hands	3	11	10			
In Mr. *Harvey*'s	152	3	5			
In Mr. *Higgs*'s	56	7	3	217	15	2
In Mr. *Jones*'s	5	12	8			
In Mr. *Coteſworth*'s				19	18	8
				237	13	10

NUMB.

NUMB. XIV.

Maimed Soldiers and Mariners for the

Charge. *John Tarver,*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722.	To a Rate made by Order in *Eaſter* Seſſions -	42	0	8

Note, In *Feb.* 1731. by Order of Seſſions, Mr. *Tarver* was deſired to lay an Account before the Juſtices, of the Chriſtian and Sirnames of the maimed Soldiers and Mariners within the ſaid Hundreds, who were living, ſince which no Rate has been made.

Note,

Mr. *Clitheroe*, Treaſurer for the ſaid Hundreds in 1722 and 1723. paid Sir *Daniel Dolins* -	63	0	0
Mr. *Bulſtrode*, Treaſurer for 1725. paid Mr. *Cotſworth* the Balance of his Account - - -	12	18	8
Sir *George Cook*, Treaſurer for 1726. paid *ditto* -	11	1	4
Albert Nisbet paid Sir *Daniel Dolins* - -	19	11	0

Hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, *and* Iſleworth.

Eſq; Treaſurer. *Diſcharge.*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1732.	By Caſh paid to ſundry maimed Soldiers and Mariners	18	15	0
	By Deficiencies on the ſaid Rate - - - -	22	19	4
		41	14	4
	Due to Balance	00	6	4
		42	0	8

An EXTRACT *of the Account of Maimed Soldiers and Mariners for* Elthorne *Hundred*, &c.

Accounted for to the Committee to whom the Account was referr'd from the Year 1722 to 1729 both inclusive, and applied to the Service for which it was raised	267	17 8
Deficiencies on all the Rates	87	9
Borrowed for the Repair of *Hicks*'s Hall	82	11
Remains unapplied		6 4
Lost by Mr. *Coatsworth*'s dying Insolvent	24	
L.	462	4

As more fully appears by the Under-written PARTICULARS;

No. XIV.	Rates.			Accounted for and Applied.			Borrowed.			Lost.			Deficiencies on the Rates.			Remains.		
	l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Anno 1722	42		4															
1723	42		4				63											
1724	42		4				19	11										
1725	42		4															
1726	42		4															
1727	42		4															
1728	42		4							12	18	8						
1729	42		4	249	2	8				11	1	4						
1730	42		4										42		4			6 4
1731	42		4										42		4			
1732	42		8	18	15								22	19	4			
1733																		
1734																		
1735																		
1736																		
L.	462	4		267	17	8	82	11		24			107				6	4
Arrears received by *Albert Nisbett*													19	11				
													87	9				

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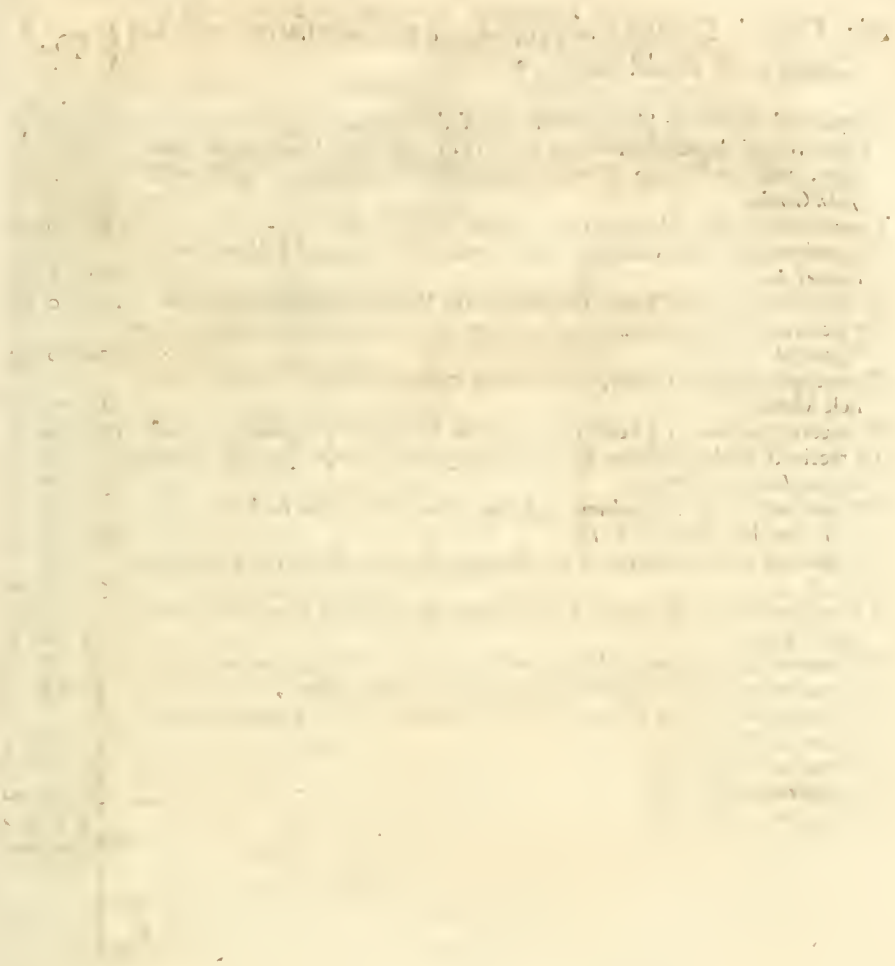

NUMB. XV.

Sir Daniel Dolins, *deceaſed, as Treaſurer of the County of* Middleſex, *is* - - - } *Dr.*

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
To received of *Thomas Jones*, Treaſurer of the *Marſhalſea*, &c. - -	282	5	6
To received of Arrears of maimed Soldiers of which Sir *Daniel* was Treaſurer, and the Reſidue of what received as Treaſurer, he paid to Sir *John Gonſon* - - - - - - - - -	400	0	0
To received of Mr. *Hardiſty* on Arrear of Colt-Money - - -	50	0	0
To received of *James Clitherce*, Eſq; Treaſurer for maimed Soldiers for *Elthorne*, &c. - - - - - - - - -	63	0	0
To received of *Thomas Jones*, Treaſurer of the Vagrant Money for *Oſſulſton*	138	0	10
To received of *William Murden*, Treaſurer for *Marſhalſea*, &c. for *Elthorne* Hundred - - - - - - - - -	20	0	0
To received of *Albert Nisbett*, for Relief of maimed Soldiers, and other publick Monies - - - - - - -	19	11	0
To received a Fine on a Leaſe of part of the Workhouſe of *Bellers*, *& al*	100	0	0
To received twelve Months Rent of the *Quaker's* Houſe (*per* Mr. *Waller*) due at *Lady-day*, 1725 - - - - -	30	0	0
To received of Mr. *Baynham*, eighteen Months Rent due *Lady-day*, 1725. 30 *l.* Leſs by Taxes, 1 *l.* 17 *s.* - - - - -	28	3	0
To received twelve Months of the *Quakers*, *per* Mr. *Waller*, due *Laay-aay*, 1726 - - - - - - -	30	0	0
To received of Mr. *Baynham*, for Rent due *Michaelmas*, 1725. 10 *l.* Leſs, 14 *s.* Tax - - - - - - -	9	6	0
To received for the *Quakers* Houſe, of Mr. *Waller*, Rent due *Lady-day*, 1727	30	0	0
To received of *Philip Wiltſhire*, Eſq; out of the Bridge Rate - -	46	19	6
To received of *William Tillard*, Eſq; Executor of Sir *Iſaac Tillard*, Treaſurer of the Bridge Money - - - - - -	197	0	5
To received of Mr. *Burdus* - - - - -	100	12	5
To received of Mr. *Nine* - - - - -	30	0	0
To received of Mr. *Jones* - - - -	3	11	10
	1578	10	6

Per Contra Cr.

N°.		£.	s.	d.
1	By paid *Thomas Elkins*, Bricklayer for *Hicks's Hall*, as *per* three Receipts	192	9	0
2	By paid *Joſ. Dob*, Joyner, as *per* two Receipts	156	0	0
3	By paid *William Ayres*, Carpenter, as *per* two Receipts	240	0	0
4	By paid *Thomas Perſcouſe*, Smith, as *per* two Receipts	100	0	0
5	By paid *John Jones*, Painter	57	0	0
6	By paid *John Sperinke*, for a Table	1	1	0
7	By paid *William Attey*, Carpenter	0	18	0
8	By paid *John Hughes*, Watchman	0	13	6
9	By paid *Samuel Gould*, Chairmaker	8	8	0
10	By paid *Matthew Hewett*, Mercer	27	5	0
11	By paid *Daniel Withers*	14	0	0
12	By paid *William Knight*, Glaſsman	19	0	0
13	By paid *Stephen Penny*, Paviour	21	0	0
14	By paid *David Higby*, Upholder	4	4	0
15	By paid *Jonathan Trickett*, Glazier	0	16	6
16	By paid *Francis Geary*	2	0	0
17	By paid *John Wheatly*, Glazier	0	13	6
18	By paid *William Brewer*, Packer, for Green Cloth	12	0	0
19	By paid *John Morris*, for a Candleſtick	0	6	0
20	By paid *Matthew Maſcall*, for Locks, *&c.*	0	4	6
21	By paid *Richard Minus*, Glazier	21	3	0
22	By paid *Joſeph Roberts*, Plumber	31	10	0
23	By paid *Richard Franſum*, Ironmonger	11	5	0
24	By paid *Iſaac Manſfield*, Plaiſterer	44	10	0
25	By paid *William Outrum*, Upholder	20	0	0
26	By paid *John Woodall*, Maſon	70	0	0
27	By paid *Philip Wiltſhire*, Eſq. about *Chertſea* Bridge	13	6	1
28	By paid ditto about ditto	4	0	6
29	By paid *John Morris*, Smith, for *Hicks's-Hall*	4	2	0
30	By paid ditto —— for ditto	2	6	6
31	By paid towards repairing *Chertſea* Bridge to the Contractors	226	13	4
32	Orders *per* ſundry Receipts, *viz.* *Wilſon*, the Slater, 1 *l.* 8 *s.* 6 *d.* *Hughes*, 6 *s.* *Maſcall*, 2 *s.* 9 *d.* altering the Till, 5 *s.*	2	2	3
	By paid *Charles Roberts*, for Blocks for the Houſe of Correction	30	17	0
	By paid *Joſeph Salway*, per a Bill for ditto	4	4	0
	By paid *William Holmes* —— for ditto	28	15	0
	By paid *John Dutton* —— for ditto	5	16	0
	By paid *John Staple* —— for ditto	6	16	0
	By paid *Joſ. Baker* —— for ditto	3	11	0
		1388	16	8
	By Balance	189	13	10
		1578	10	6

21ſt *June*, 1728. *Errors excepted*,
for Dame Margaret Dolins.
Tho. Cooke

This is a Copy of the Account as ſtated and ſettled the 3*d of* July, 1728. *at* Hicks's-Hall, *by the Committee of Juſtices then preſent*, viz.

Mr. Coteſworth
Pindar
Wiltſhire
Troughton
Tothill
Mitchell

NUMB.

NUMB. XVI.

COUNTY

CHARGE.

1726,			*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Octob. Sess	To a Rate for the Repair of *Brentford* and *Chertsea* Bridge		600	0	0
1726,					
June 26.	To ditto for *Chertsea* Bridge		800	0	0
			1400	0	0

		l.	*s.*	*d.*			
Note,	In Mr. *Wiltshire*'s Account 49 l. 17 s. 2 d. appears to have been paid Mrs. *Offley*, due to *John Offley*, Esq; on Account of the Market, which, by an Account made up appears to have been replaced, all but				00	14	9½
		l.	*s.*	*d*			
Viz.	In Mr. *Cotsworth*'s Account	31	3	6	49	2	4½
	In Mr. *Higgs*'s	17	18	10½			
					49	17	2

NUMB. XVII.

COUNTY

CHARGE.

1731.		*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Feb. 1.	To a Rate for the Repair of *Brentford* Bridge	200	0	0

Note, There was a Rate for 200 *l.* in the Year 1735, now removed into the *King's Bench*, therefore not accounted for.

BRIDGES.

DISCHARGE.

	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
By Deficiencies on the Rate in *October* Seſſions 1723,				4	4	1
By Disburſements paid by ſundry Orders, as appears by Sir *Iſaac Tillard*'s Account - - - - - - - -				398	15	6
By ditto by Sir *Daniel Dolins*, as appears by his Account - - -				243	19	11
By ditto by Mr. *Wiltſhire*, as per his Account - -	641	13	8			
Out of which 46 *l.* 19 *s.* 6 *d.* is to be deducted, being paid by Mr. *Wiltſhire* to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, and by him accounted for in the above Sum of 243 *l.* 19 *s.* 11 *d.*	46	19	6			
				594	14	2
By Balance of Mr. *Wiltſhire*'s Account, paid to Mr. *Cotſworth* - -				44	8	11
By Deficiencies on the Rate for 800 *l.* in 1726. - -				113	17	5
				1400	0	0

Memorandum.

	l.	s.	d.
Mr. *Cotſworth* chargeth himſelf in his Book with the above Balance of - - - - - - -	44	8	11
Alſo to have received of Mr. *Nine* Part of above Arrear	23	6	11
	67	15	10
Out of which he gives himſelf Credit for two Sums paid	5	10	11
Remained in his Hands at the time of his Death - -	62	4	11

BRIDGES.

DISCHARGE.

	l.	s.	d.
By Deficiencies of the ſaid Rate - - - -	29	16	5¼
By Disburſements by Mr. *Barker* - - - -	83	15	0
By ditto by Mr. *Clitheroe*, - - - - -	27	5	1¼
By ditto by Mr. *Higgs*, - - - - - -	20	8	10
	161	5	4½
Due to Balance - - - -	38	14	7½
	200	0	0

	l.	s.	d.
In Mr. *Barker*'s Hands - - - -	7	2	6
In Mr. *Higgs*'s Hands - - -	31	12	1½
	38	14	7½
By Mr. *Jones*'s Account there appears to be in his Hands a further Sum of - - - - -	3	12	11
	42	7	6½

CHARGE.

1727.		*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
April 27.	To Caſh paid *Mary Offley*, Widow and Executrix of *John Offley*, Eſq; late Treaſurer of the *Hay Market*, by *Philip Wiltſhire*, Eſq; Treaſurer of the Bridge Money, being borrowed by Order of Court *Dec.* 8, 1726, and *Jan.* 12, 1726, and to be refunded and paid back out of the Toll of the *Hay Market* - - - - - - - - -	49	17	2

Note, In the Petitioners Charge, as ſtated by their Agents, it does not appear that any Sum of Money was due to Mr. *Offley* on the *Hay Market* Account, or that any Care was taken by the Juſtices, that Mr. *Wiltſhire* ſhould be repaid, altho' both appear by the Order of the 8th of *December*, 1726, which was read by them, and is again inforced by a ſubſequent Order the 12th of *January*, 1726, for the Repayment of it by 10 *l.* a Year, by the Treaſurers of the *Hay Market*, which he did not cauſe to be read.

MARKET.

DISCHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d*
1728, *May* 29.	By Cash paid to Mr. *Cotsworth*, by *Philip Stothard*, Deputy Treasurer of the *Hay Market*, in part of 49*l.* 17*s* 2*d.* advanced by Mr. *Wiltshire*, by Order of Sessions, one Year's Payment, due at *Easter* last, as appears by an attested Copy from Mr. *Cotsworth*'s Book - - - -	10	0	0
1729, *Oct.* 16.	By ditto paid ditto by ditto, on Account of the *Hay Market* -	10	0	0
1730, *Oct.* 19.	By ditto paid ditto by *Samuel Weaver*, Collector of the Toll of the *Hay Market* - - - - -	11	3	6
1731, *June* 3,	By ditto paid to Mr. *John Higgs*, General Treasurer, by the said *Samuel Weaver*, the Balance of his Account for the Year 1730 - - - - - - -	17	18	10½
		49	2	4½
	Due to the Balance of Bridges, -	--	14	9½
		49	17	2

An Extract of the Account of County Bridges.

Rates.

1723	-	600	1600
1726	-	800	
1731	-	200	

	l.	s.	d.
Applied to the Service for which it was raiſed	1320	19	4¼
Deficiencies on the three Rates	124	11	0¼
Borrowed	—	14	9½
Loſt by Mr. *Cotſworth*'s dying inſolvent 62 4 11	93	8	5
More of the Money repaid 31 3 6			
Loſt by Mr. *Jones*, or in his Hands	3	12	11
Remains unapplied for the Repair of Bridges	56	13	6
	1600	0	0

As more fully appears by the underwritten Particulars,

Treaſurers Names.	*Applied.*	*Deficiencies.*	*Borrowed.*	*Repaid.*	*Loſt by Mr Cotſworth.*	*Loſt by Mr Jones or in his Hands*	*Remains.*
N° XVI. and XVII.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.
Sir *If. Tillard*	398 15 6	4 4 1					-
Sir *Dan. Dolins*	243 19 11						
Mr. *Wiltſhire*	541 4 1	113 17 5	49 17 2	49 2 4½			
Mr. *Jones*						3 12 11	
Mr. *Cotſworth*	5 10 11				93 8 5		
Mr. *Barker*	83 15 0	29 16 5¼					7 2 6
Mr. *Clitherce*	27 5 1½						
Mr. *Higgs*	20 8 10						17 18 10½
							31 12 1½
	1320 19 4¼	147 17 11¼	49 17 2	49 2 4½	93 8 5	3 12 11	56 13 6
Arrears received by Mr. *Cotſworth* - -		23 6 11	49 2 4½				
		124 11 0¼	14 9 ½				

NUMB. XVIII.

Sir Thomas Hewett's

CHARGE.

					l.	*s.* *d.*
To Caſh borrowed of the ſeveral Treaſurers of Maimed Soldiers and Mariners, Vagrants, *Marſhalſea* and *King's Bench*, between the 28th of *February* 1722, and the 25th of *May* 1726. - - -					1062	17 9
Note, The 10th of *October*, 1726, Sir *Daniel Dolins* paid *Daniel Withers*, after the Report was made of the Repairs *May* 25, 1726. - - -	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*			
	2	0	0			
Over-paid *John Jones* -	15	0	0			
					17	0 0
					1079	17 9

Repairs at Hicks's-Hall.

DISCHARGE.

N°.			*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
1	*April* 20. 1723.	By Caſh paid by Sir *Daniel Dolins* to *Thomas Elkins*, by an Order of Seſſions, dated 28 *Feb.* 1722. advanced to him to provide Materials for Bricklayers Work, purſuant to his Contract - -	100	0	0
2	*May* 18. 1723.	By ditto paid *Joſeph Dob*, by the ſame Order, advanced to him to provide Materials for Joyners Work	50	0	0
3	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Thomas Elkins*, more advanced - -	60	0	0
4	Ditto,	By ditto paid *William Ayres*, by the ſame Order, advanced to him to provide Materials for Carpenters Work, as per Contract - - -	100	0	0
5	*May* 21. 1723.	By ditto paid *Thomas Piercehouſe*, by the ſame Order, advanced to him to provide Materials for Smith's Work, as per Contract - - - -	30	0	0
6	Ditto,	By ditto paid *John Jones*, by the ſame Order, advanced to him to provide Materials for Painters Work, as per Contract - - -	15	0	0
7	*Nov.* 14, 1723.	By ditto paid *John Sperinke*, for a Table - -	1	1	0
8	Ditto,	By ditto paid *William Atty*, Carpenter - -	0	18	0
9	Ditto,	By ditto paid *John Hughes*, Watchman - -	0	13	6
10	*Dec.* 28. 1723.	By ditto paid Mr. *Gould*, Chairmaker - -	8	8	0
11	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Matthew Hewett*, Mercer - -	27	5	0
12	Ditto,	By ditto paid *John Morrice*, Smith - -	4	2	0
13	*Feb.* 29. 1723.	By ditto paid *William Knight*, Glaſsman - -	19	0	0
14	*Mar.* 11. 1723.	By ditto paid *Stephen Penny*, Paviour - -	21	0	0
15	Ditto, 23	By ditto paid *John Morrice*, Smith - -	2	6	6
16	Ditto,	By ditto paid *David Higby*, Upholſterer - -	4	4	0
17	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Jonathan Tricket*, Glazier - -	0	16	6
18	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Francis Gerey* - - -	2	0	0
19	Ditto	By ditto paid *John Wheatley*, Glazier, - -	0	13	6
20	Ditto	By ditto paid *William Brewer*, Packer, for Green Cloth	12	0	0
21	*Sept.* 14, 1724.	By ditto paid *Matthew Maſcall*, for Locks, *&c.* -	0	4	6
22	*Oct.* 6.	By ditto paid *John Morrice*, for a Candleſtick - -	0	6	0
23	*Nov.* 17.	By ditto paid *Matthew Maſcall*, for altering the Till -	0	5	0
24	Ditto 21.	By ditto paid *Robert Woſton*, Slater - -	1	8	6
25	Ditto,	By ditto paid *John Hughes*, Watchman - -	0	6	0
26	*Dec.* 2.	By ditto paid *Matthew Maſcall* - - -	0	2	9
27	*May* 14, 1725.	By ditto paid *Richard Munis*, Glazier - -	21	3	0
28	Ditto,	By ditto paid *John Roberts*, Plumber - -	31	10	0
29	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Richard Franſum*, Ironmonger - -	11	5	0
30	*July* 22.	By ditto paid *Thomas Elkins*, Bricklayer, in full -	32	9	0
31	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Iſaac Manſfield*, Plaiſterer - -	44	10	0
32	Ditto,	By ditto paid *William Outrum*, Upholſterer - -	20	0	0
33	*May* 25. 1726.	By ditto paid *John Jones*, Painter, in full - -	57	0	0
34	*June*, 7.	By ditto paid *John Woodall*, Maſon - -	70	0	0
35	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Joſeph Deb*, Joyner, in full - -	106	0	0
36	Ditto,	By ditto paid *William Ayres*, Carpenter, in full - -	140	0	0
37	Ditto,	By ditto paid *Thomas Piercehouſe*, Smith, in full - -	70	0	0
38	*Oct.* 10. 1726.	By ditto paid *Daniel Withers*, Chairmaker - -	14	0	0
			1079	17	9

NUMB. XIX.

An Account of Monies borrowed of the ſeveral Treaſurers for

CHARGE.

Dates of Orders of Seſſions.		*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Febr. 28. 1722.	To Caſh paid into Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Hands, by *Thomas Jones*, High Conſtable, Treaſurer of the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals, being borrowed towards repairing *Hicks's-Hall*, . . .	282	5	6
Ditto,	To ditto more by Mr. *Milner* to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, being the Balance of the ſaid *Jones*'s Account . .	3	11	10
Jan. 18.	To ditto paid Sir *Daniel Dolins*, by *James Clitherce*, Eſq; Treaſurer, for Maimed Soldiers and Mariners .	63	0	0
May 30. 1723.	To ditto of *Thomas Jones*, Treaſurer of the Vagrant Money, for the Hundred of *Oſſulſton* . . .	138	0	10
Ditto,	To ditto of *William Murden*, Treaſurer of the *Marſhalſea*, for the Hundred of *Elthorne* . . .	20	0	0
Ditto,	To ditto of *Albert Nisbett*, on account of Maimed Soldiers, *&c.*	19	11	0
	l. s. d.			
Ditto,	To ditto of *Thomas Burdus*, Eſq; Treaſurer of the Houſe of Correction, the Balance of his Account of a Rate in 1717. . . 100 12 5			
	Out of which Sir *Daniel Dolins* paid for Repairs of the Houſe of Correction, as per his Account . . . 79 19 0			
		20	13	5
Ditto,	To ditto of Mr. *Nine*, one of the High Conſtables of the *Marſhalſea*, *King's Bench*, and Hoſpitals . .	30	0	0
Ditto,	To ditto retained in Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Hands, being Part of the Balance of his Account as Treaſurer of the Maimed Soldiers and Mariners . .	400	0	0
	To ditto of *Philip Wilſhire*, Eſq; Treaſurer of the Bridge Money, the Remainder of 49*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.* not replaced	0	14	9½
	To ditto of Sir *Henry Penrice*, Treaſurer of the Maimed Soldiers for *Oſſulſton*, being the Remainder of 73*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* not replaced	43	11	6
		1021	8	10½

the Repair of Hicks's-Hall, *to be replac'd by Order of Seſſions.*

DISCHARGE.

Dates of Orders of Seſſions.		*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
July 11. 1723.	By Caſh paid into Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Hands, General County Treaſurer, by *Robert Hardiſty*, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, out of the Colt-Money, by Order of Seſſions of this Date	50	0	0
May 30. 1723. *Dec.* 4. 1724.	By County Rents paid into Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Hands, by Mr. *Walter*, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, by Order of Seſſions of this Date, *viz.*			
	12 Months of the *Quaker*'s Workhouſe, due *Lady-Day*, 1724. . 30 0 0			
	12 Months due *Lady-Day*, 1725. . . 28 3 0			
	12 Months due *Lady-Day*, 1726. . . 30 0 0			
	6 Months due *Michaelmas*, 1726. . . 9 6 0			
	12 Months due *Michaelmas*, 1727. 30 0 0			
		127	9	0
July 9. 1724.	By Caſh paid to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, being the Fine of a Leaſe lett by them of the *Quakers* Workhouſe, to *John Bellers*, *& al'*	100	0	0
	By Caſh in Mr. *Higgs*'s Hands, by him received of Mr. *Cavenaugh*, Keeper of *New Priſon*, towards replacing Part of the 43 *l.* 11 *s.* 6 *d.* borrowed of Sir *Henry Penrice*	5	0	0
		282	9	0
	Due to balance to the ſeveral Treaſurers . . .	738	19	$10\frac{1}{2}$
		1021	8	$10\frac{1}{2}$

NUMB. XX.

County Rents paid to Mr. Coatſworth *by* Thomas Wilkinſon,

CHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
July 31, 1728.	To Caſh received of *Thomas Wilkinſon*, for one Year's Rent of the Quakers Workhouſe to *Lady-day* laſt, as appears by the Copy of Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Account, -	25	18	0
April 3, 1729.	To ditto received of ditto, for one Year and a quarter Rent of the *Mulberry* Houſe, to *Lady-day* 1728, Taxes deducted; and Half a Year's Rent of the Quaker's Workhouſe, due *Michaelmas* 1728, as appears by ditto	36	14	8
Auguſt 14.	To ditto received of ditto, on Account of Rent, omitted in Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Book, which appears by Mr. *Wilkinſon*'s Account and Receipt of this Date - -	8	18	0
June 4, 1730.	To ditto received of ditto, for Half a Year's Rent of the Workhouſe, due at *Michaelmas* 1729 - - -	28	0	0
		99	10	8
	Balance due to Mr. *Coatſworth* on this Account - -	4	4	0
		103	14	8

Note, The 20 *l.* entred in Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Book the 17th of *April* 1729, was paid Mr. *Higgs* the 23d of *June* 1729 by Mr. *Wilkinſon*, by Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Order, as appears by the underwritten Account and the ſaid *Coatſworth*'s Order.

County Rents in Mr. Wilkinſon*'s Hands, not paid over to*

CHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1728.	By Caſh remaining in his Hands, part of 30 *l.* by him received for neat Rent the 1ſt of *May* 1728, as per his Account - N° 1. - - - -	4	2	0
1729.	By ditto, as per Account N° 3. - - -	24	2	0
1730.	By ditto, as per Account N° 4. - - -	2	0	0
		30	4	0

between the 31*ſt of* July 1728, *and the* 4*th of* June 1730.

DISCHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
	For Furniture, viz.						
February, 1728.	By Caſh paid Mr. *Seymour*, as per Account in the Copy of Mr. *Coatſworth*'s Account -	2	9	6			
	By ditto paid for taking care of the Clock -	1	5	0			
	By ditto paid for mending Sir *Baptiſt Hicks*'s Picture - - - - -	5	5	0			
	By ditto paid for five Umbrellas - -	7	17	6			
	By ditto paid for two Wainſcot Tables -	1	10	0			
	By ditto paid Mr. *Braithwaite* the Upholſterer	16	5	0			
					34	12	0
	For Repairs at Hicks's Hall, *viz.*						
April 16, 1729.	By Caſh paid ſundry Repairs - -	8	19	0			
	By ditto paid a Painter's Bill - -	5	0	0			
	By ditto paid a Plaiſterer's Bill - -	4	0	0			
	By ditto paid Mr. *Hughes* - - -	1	7	6			
	By ditto paid Mr. *Warden*, Carpenter -	0	11	6			
Jan 30.	By ditto paid Mr. *Weſton*, Bricklayer -	2	13	0			
					22	11	0
	For Repairs at New Priſon, *viz.*						
	By ditto paid Carpenters, Bricklayers, and Smiths, by Order of Court, *Aug.* 27, 1730 - - -				15	0	0
	For Proſecutions, viz.						
Nov. 14, 1729.	By ditto paid Mr. *Higgs* upon Account -	21	0	0			
July 2, 1730.	By ditto paid ditto more upon Account -	10	11	8			
					31	11	8
					103	14	8

By an Order the 24th of *February* 1731, reciting the Order of the 27th of *Auguſt* 1730, it appears Mr. *Coatſworth* did not pay the aboveſaid 15 *l.* for Repairs of *New Priſon*, which was paid by Mr. *Higgs*, with 1 *l.* 19 *s.* more, making together 17 *l.* 5 *s.* for *Hicks's Hall*, as per his Account; and the Petitioners Agents have charged both theſe Sums, one for *New Priſon*, the other for *Hicks's Hall*, though on the Face of the ſecond Order it plainly appears otherwiſe.

Mr. Coatſworth, *between* July 31, 1728, *and* June 4, 1730.

DISCHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
July 1, 1728.	By Caſh paid Mr. *Seymour*, for Coals and Fees, as per his Account N° 1. - - - -	4	2	0
	For Proſecutions, viz.			
June 23, 1729.	By ditto paid by Order of *William Coatſworth* to *John Higgs*, on Account of defending *Richard Norwood* againſt a Proſecution carried on by *Thomas Robe*, Clerk of the Market, and defending Orders of Seſſions removed into the *King's Bench*, as per Account N° 3.	20	0	0
	By Caſh paid for Coals and Fees, as per ditto - -	4	2	0
May 5, 1730.	By ditto paid for Coals, as per Account N° 4.	2	0	0
		30	4	0

NUMB. XXI.

County Rents paid to Mr. Higgs, *General County Treaſurer, the 8th of*

CHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
Nov. 28. 1730.	To Caſh received of Mr. *Wilkinſon*, as per his Account .	30	0	0
May 20. 1732.	To ditto of ditto, as per ditto . . .	50	0	0
June 21.	To ditto of ditto, as per ditto . . .	20	0	0
Dec. 30.	To ditto of ditto, as per ditto, the Balance of his Account	29	14	0
Dec. 18. 1733.	To ditto, the Balance of his Account . . .	45	4	8
Dec. 17. 1734.	To ditto of ditto, the Balance of his Account . .	45	4	8
Feb. 13. 1735.	To ditto of ditto, the Balance of his Account . .	35	4	6
Dec. 8. 1736.	To ditto of ditto, the Balance of his Account . .	44	1	4
	Carried over	299	9	2

Note. This Account, Numbered XXI, goes only to Rents due *Michaelmas* 1736. and the half Year due *Lady-day* 1737. will pay the Balance due to the ſaid Mr. *Higgs*.

by Thomas Wilkinſon, *between the 4th of* June, 1730, *and* December, 1736.

DISCHARGE.

For Furniture, viz.

N°		*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
14	By Caſh paid for Umbrella's, as by Mr. *Higgs's* Account, F.	7	1	6			
16	By ditto to Mr. *Sparks*, for a Grate, as per ditto	15	0	0			
21	By ditto to *Samuel Barret*, for a Jack, as per ditto	9	9	0			
					31	10	6

For Repairs at Hicks's-Hall, *viz.*

		l.	*s.*	*d.*			
3	By Caſh paid Mr. *Warden*, Carpenter, as per Mr. *Higgs's* Account, F.	17	5	0			
15	By ditto paid Mr. *Allingham*, the Article diſallowed Mr. *Osborne* by the Committee of Accounts, as per ditto	2	2	0			
5	By ditto paid Mrs. *Seymour*, by Order, as per ditto	2	9	0			
6	By ditto paid Mr. *Jupp*, Carpenter, as per ditto	6	14	4			
7	By ditto paid *John Stable*, Plumber, as per ditto	11	13	0			
8	By ditto paid Mr. *Jupp*, Carpenter, as per ditto	2	1	0			
9	By ditto paid *Joſeph Jackſon*, Bricklayer, as per ditto	11	9	0			
10	By ditto paid Mr. *Wheatly*, Glazier, as per ditto	2	9	0			
12	By ditto paid ſundry Repairs, as per ditto	3	10	6			
17	By ditto paid Mrs. *Seymour*, as per ditto	1	0	0			
13 and 22	By ditto paid for looking after the Clock	1	7	6			
					62	0	4

For Proſecutions, viz.

1	By Caſh made good to the Accountant in full of his Bill of 89*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.* for Law Charges, in defending a Proſecution carried on by *Thomas Robe* and *John Matheves*, Eſqrs. Clerk of the Market of the King's Houſhold, upon an Indictment by them preferred againſt *Richard Norwood*, High Conſtable of *Elthorne*, in relation to the ſaid Office: And alſo in defending an Action at Law commenced againſt the ſaid *Norwood*, for Fees claimed by Colour of the ſaid Office, and ſupporting Orders remov'd by *Certiorari*, as per Report of the Committee the 13th *Jan.* 1731. and Order of Seſſions, the 24th of *Feb.* 1731.	38	6	4			
2	By ditto paid Mr. *Mathews*, Attorney in the Crown Office, employed on Behalf of the County, in making a Defence in the above Cauſes, per Order the 24th *Feb.* 1731.	10	5	0			
4	By ditto paid *John Rolfe*, Attorney, his Bill for defending the Inhabitants of the Hundred of *Oſſulſton*, againſt whom an Action was brought on Account of ſeveral Robberies, per Order	1	0	0			
23	By ditto made good to the Accountant his Bill of Coſts in proſecuting *Moſes Peters*, Clerk to *Clifford William Philips* Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, by Order dated the 29th *Auguſt*, 1734	20	17	8			
24	By ditto paid Mr. *Mathews*, Attorney in the ſaid Cauſe	14	6	5			
					84	15	5
	Carried over				178	6	3

CHARGE.

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
Brought over	209	9	2
Due to the Accountant Mr. *Higgs*, to balance	22	2	7
	321	11	9

County Rents in Mr. Wilkinſon's *Hands, not paid over to*

CHARGE.

			l.	*s.*	*d.*
1732.	By Caſh remaining in his Hands, Part of the 140 *l.* by him received for net Rent, between the 20th of *Octob.* 1730, and 29th of *Novem.* 1732. as per his Account Letter	A.	10	6	0
1733.	By ditto, as per his Account	B.	4	2	0
1734.	By ditto, as per his Account	C.	4	2	0
1735.	By ditto, as per his Account	D.	12	10	6
1736.	By ditto, as per his Account	E.	4	18	8
			35	19	2

DISCHARGE.

		l.	s.	d.
	Brought over	178	6	3

Advertiſements, viz.

N°		l.	s.	d.		
11	By Caſh paid for printing 1000 Orders of Court for better collecting publick Monies	1	10	0		
19 and 20	By ditto paid for printing Advertiſements, Horſe-hire, and Expences, concerning the Election of Repreſentatives for the County of *Middleſex*	14	14	0		
					16	4

Salaries, viz.

		l.	s.	d.		
	By a Year's Salary made good to the Accountant, per Order of Seſſions, and due 3d *June* 1732.	25	0	0		
	By ditto, due 3d *June* 1733.	25	0	0		
	By ditto, due 3d *June* 1734.	25	0	0		
	By ditto, due 3d *June* 1735.	25	0	0		
	By ditto, due 3d *June* 1736.	25	0	0		
					125	0
18	By Caſh paid for Books to keep the Account in				2	1
					321	11

Mr. Higgs, *between* June 4. 1730, *and* December 8. 1736.

DISCHARGE.

	l.	s.	d.
By Caſh paid Mrs. *Seymour*, Houſekeeper, for Fees and Coals, as per Account A.	10	6	0
By ditto paid Mrs. *Bromley*, Fees and Coals, as per Account . . . B.	4	2	0
By ditto paid Mrs. *Bromley*, Fees and Coals, as per Account . . . C.	4	2	0
By ditto paid ſundry ſmall Diſburſements, for Advertiſements, Coals, Fees, &c. as per Account, ... D.	12	10	0
By ditto paid for Fees, Coals, and Advertiſements, as per Account. . . E.	4	18	8
	35	19	2

An Extract of the Account of County Rents and Eſtate, from Lady-Day 1723, *to* Michaelmas 1736.

Money repaid		227	9 0
Repairs of *Hicks's-Hall*		84	11 4
Furniture for ditto		66	2 6
Proſecutions		136	7 1
Repairs of *New Priſon*		15	0 0
Books, Coals, Fees, Advertiſements, *&c.*		64	8 8
Salaries		125	0 0
Total		718	18 7

As more fully appears by the underwritten Particulars:

	Rents received.	*Repaid to County-Treaſurers.*	*Repairs at* Hicks's Hall.	*Repairs at* New Priſon.	*Furniture for* Hicks's Hall.	*Coals, Fees, &c.*	*Salaries.*	*Proſecutions.*
N°	*l. s. d.*	*l. s. d.*	*l. s. d.*	*l. s. d.*	*l. s. d.*	*l. s. d.*	*l. s. d.*	*l. s. d.*
XV. and XIX	100 0 0	100 0 0						
	127 9 0	127 9 0						
XX.	99 10 8		22 11 0	15 0 0	34 12 0			31 11 8
	30 4 0					10 4 0		20 0 0
XXI	299 9 2		62 0 4		31 10 6	18 5 6		84 15 5
	35 19 2					35 19 2		
							125 0 0	
	692 12 0	227 9 0	84 11 4	15 0 0	66 2 6	64 8 8	125 0 0	136 7 1
	4 4 0	Balance due to Mr. *Coatſworth*, N° XX.						
	22 2 7	Ditto, to Mr. *Higgs* - - - N° XXI.						
	718 18 7							

Note, The Charge of 15 *l.* by Mr. *Coatſworth*, is a falſe Entry; the Money never was paid; by which, after deducting the Balance of 4 *l.* 4 *s.* a Loſs accrued of - - - 10 16 0

NUMB. XXII.

An Account of Money called Colt-Money, (*being the* *to the 6th of*

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
To Caſh paid into the Clerk of the Peace's Hands, by the Juſtices themſelves, on their firſt Appearance at Seſſions, and for Titles of Honour, Marriages, and on Places, a Guinea each, as Per Fol. (1.) in the Clerk of the Peace's Book - - -	16	16	0
Per Fol. (2.) - - - - - -	23	2	0
Per Fol. (3.) - - - - - -	21	0	0
Per Fol. (4.) - - - - - -	23	2	0
Per Fol. (5.) - - - - - -	19	19	0
Per Fol. (6.) - - - - - -	19	19	0
Per Fol. (7.) - - - - - -	17	17	0
Per Fol. (8.) - - - - - -	132	9	10
Per Fol. (9.) - - - - - -	2	2	0
	276	6	10

Proper Monies of the Justices) from December *Sessions* 1727, April, 1737.

		l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
	By sundry Disbursements out of the Colt Money, by the Clerk of the Peace, for extraordinary Charges for Dinners and Wine in *January* Sessions, over and above the Statute Allowance, paid by the Sheriffs, for 24 Justices a-day, at 4 *s.* each, and 2 *s.* the Clerk of the Peace, as settled by the Treasury, as per Fol. (1.) in the Clerk of the Peace's Book				16	0	10
	By ditto as per Fol. (2.)				11	16	6
	By ditto as per Fol. (3.)				14	5	10
	By ditto as per Fol. (4.)				15	10	8
	By ditto as per Fol. (5.)				13	6	0
	By ditto as per Fol. (6.)				12	8	6
	By ditto as per Fol. (7.)				11	2	0
	By ditto as per Fol. (8.)				8	2	6
	By ditto as per Fol. (8.) *viz.*						
Dec. 31. 1734.	Paid to *Richard Jupp*, Carpenter, pursuant to an Order of Sessions in *December*, 1734. for making *Hicks's-Hall* more commodious and warm, and other Alterations - . . .	100	0	0			
July 9. 1735.	Paid to the said *Richard Jupp*, pursuant to an Order of Sessions, in *May* 1735, more .	50	0	0			
	Paid him more by the same Order, an Allowance made for his low Prices . .	5	5	0			
					155	5	0
	By extraordinary Charges for Wine, as per Fol. (9.)				2	18	0
	By ditto as per Fol. (10.)				9	19	9
	By ditto as per Fol. (11.)				3	15	3
					274	10	10
	Due to Balance in the Clerk of the Peace's Hands				1	16	0
					276	6	10

NUMB. XXIII.

An Account ſhewing, that the Juſtices have laid out more on out of the County Rents,

CHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
April 17. 1729.	To Caſh paid by Mr. *Cotſworth*, for Proſecutions	20	0	0			
Nov. 14.	To ditto paid more for ditto	21	0	0			
July 2. 1730.	To ditto paid more for ditto	10	11	8			
					51	11	8

By Mr. Higgs.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*			
Feb. 1731.	To ditto paid himſelf, as per his Account, for Proſecutions	38	6	4			
	To ditto paid Mr. *Mathews*, for ditto	10	5	0			
May 5. 1732.	To ditto paid Mr. *Rolfe*, for ditto	1	0	0			
June 11. 1734.	To ditto paid Mr. *Daniel*, for Horſe-hire and Expences about the Election for Repreſentatives for *Middleſex*	3	3	0			
	To ditto paid *Thomas Wilkinſon*, for Advertiſements, upon the ſame Account	11	11	0			
Oct. 27.	To ditto paid Mr. *Higgs*, for proſecuting *Moſes Peters* for Extortion	20	17	8			
	To ditto paid Mr. *Mathews*, upon the ſame Account	14	6	5			
					99	9	5
					151	1	1
	Due to Balance				4	3	11
					155	5	0

Hicks's-Hall *out of their own Money, than the Seſſions ordered not ſtrictly payable thereout.*

DISCHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
Dec. 5. 1734.	By Caſh paid by the Juſtices out of their Colt Money on *Hicks's-Hall*, per Order of Seſſions . . .	100	0	0
May 23. 1735.	By ditto paid out of ditto, for the like Service . .	55	5	0
		155	5	0

Note, By this Account it appears, that the Juſtices have paid out of their own Pockets 47. 3s. 11*d.* more than the Seſſions ordered to be paid out of the County Rents.

NUMB. XXIV.

Houſe of

CHARGE.

		l.	*s.*	*d.*
1717.	To a Rate for the Houſe of Correction, *Thomas Burdus*, Eſq; Treaſurer	800	0	0

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
Note, By Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Account, there appears to have been laid out on the Houſe of Correction	79	19	0
Borrow'd for Repairs of *Hicks's-Hall* . .	20	13	5
	100	12	5

And no Rate has been made ſince till that for 200*l.* in 1735, removed into the *King's Bench*.

Correction.

DISCHARGE.

				l.	*s.*	*d.*
1722.	By ſundry Payments, as per his Account, dated the 12th *February*, 1722			292	14	3
	By Deficiencies, *viz.*					
	Weſtminſter Diviſion	*l.* 276	*s.* 6	*d.* 11		
	Holborn Diviſion	58	4	6		
	Kenſington Diviſion	42	0	8		
	Tower Diviſion	5	12	1		
	Spelthorne Hundred	16	13	4		
	Iſleworth Hundred	11	15	10		
					406	13	4
					699	7	7
	By Balance paid to Sir *Daniel Dolins*, which he chargeth himſelf with in his Account				100	12	5
					800	0	0

A General Extract of the Accounts delivered by the Juſtices, of the Publick Rates, from the Year 1722, to the Year 1736, both incluſive, and of the Balances remaining in the Treaſurer's Hands, of Rates before 1722.

Titles and Numbers referring to the Accounts.	*Rates.*			*Applied.*			Weſtminſter *Deficiency.*			Tower *Deficiency.*			*County Deficiency.*			*Borrowed.*			*Loſt by Mr.* Coteſworth.			*Remains in Mr* Jones's *Hands, or loſt by him.*			*Remains in the Treaſurer's Hands*			*Total.*		
	l.	*s.*	*d*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Vagrants, N° V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X	4004	19	2	1258	5	1	1361	14	7	28	0	5	997	2	4	138	0	10	77	10	5	140	17	0	3	8	6	4004	19	2
Marſhalſea, &c. for *Oſſulſton*, &c. XI	597	1	0	9	18	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	69	16	7	285	17	4	4	15	4	141	17	6	84	16	3	597	1	0
Ditto, —— &c —— *Lithorne*, &c XII	120	18	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	59	11	10	50	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	6	2	120	18	0
Maimed Soldiers for *Oſſulſton*, &c. XIII.	1384	13	6	550	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	153	6	8	443	11	6	19	18	8	5	12	8	212	2	6	1384	13	6
Ditto —— —— for *Lithorne*, &c. XIV.	462	4	0	267	17	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	87	9	0	82	11	0	24	0	0	-	-	-	0	6	4	462	4	0
Bridges —— —— XVI, XVII.	1600	0	0	1329	19	4¾	-	-	-	-	-	-	124	11	0¾	0	14	9½	93	8	5	3	12	11	56	13	6	1600	0	0
House of Correction —— XXIV.	800	0	0	372	13	3	272	6	11	5	12	1	128	14	4	20	13	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	800	0	0
	8969	15	8	3779	14	10¼	1634	1	6	33	12	6	1620	11	9¾	1021	8	10½	219	12	10	292	0	1	368	13	3	8969	15	8
Replaced, as per Account N° XIX.																282	9	0												
Remains to be made good to the ſeveral Rates																738	19	10½												
Balance of Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Account paid to Mr. *Coteſworth*,																			189	13	10									
Loſt by County Rents, which Mr. *Coteſworth* takes Credit for, but did not pay																			15	0	0									
Balance of Robbery Rates paid to him																			28	9	6									
To be deducted, viz.																*l.*	*s.*	*d.*												
Paid by *Coteſworth* to five Penſioners, per Order, 10 *July* 1728,																4	16	4	452	16	2									
Due to him, as per Account N° XX.																4	4	0	10	0	4									
Paid Mr. *Lindon* for drawing two Indictments																1	0	0												
																			442	15	10									

Note, The Exhibition Money was paid by the Clerk of the Peace out of County Rents till the Year 1732.

NUMB. XXV.

Simon Mitchell, *Esq*; - - *Dr.*

Jan. 7, 1734. To a Rate made by the said *Simon Mitchell* and *Robert Tothill*, Esqs; (two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of *Middlesex*) on the Hundred of *Ossulston*, for raising 64 *l.* 16 *s.* 8 *d.* levied on the Goods of Mr *John White*, by virtue of a Judgment and Execution for a Robbery committed in the said Hundred, *viz.*

	l.	*s.*	*d.*			
On *Westminster* Division - - -	34	0	1 $\frac{3}{4}$			
Tower Division - - - -	19	7	8 $\frac{1}{4}$			
Finsbury Division - - -	7	15	10 $\frac{1}{4}$			
Kensington Division - -	5	5	1			
Holborn Division - - - -	19	10	11 $\frac{3}{4}$			
				86	0	5 $\frac{3}{4}$

Per Contra *Cr.*

		l.	*s.*	*d*
Mar. 5, 1734.	Paid Mr. *John White*, being all the Money at that time collected	48	7	$4\frac{2}{4}$
April 7. 1735.	Paid to ditto in full	16	9	$3\frac{3}{4}$
		64	16	8
	Paid *Thomas Bray*, for his Trouble in making the Rate Warrants	3	0	0
Feb. 13.	Paid to Mr. *Higgs*, General Treasurer for the County, by Order of Sessions	17	9	$9\frac{1}{2}$
		85	6	$5\frac{1}{2}$
	Charged on the Liberty of the *Tower Within* and *Without*, the *Old Artillery Ground*, and *Trinity Minories*, which was not collected	0	14	0
		86	0	$5\frac{1}{2}$

Note, The Hundred of *Offulton* was indebted to the County for the Charges in the Defence of an Action commenced against the said Hundred, for a Robbery to the Value of 53 *l.* which Sum the Hundred saved by that Defence.

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NUMB. XXVI.

Pl'ita coram D'no Rege apud Weſtm' de Termi'o ſ'c'i Mich'is Anno R'ni D'ni Georgii S'c'di nunc Regis Magn' Britan' &c. Quarto.

Midd'x ſſ. MEmorandum quod die Veneris prox' poſt tres Septi'anas ſ'c'i Mich'is iſto eodem Termino coram D'no Rege apud Weſtm' Ven' Thomas Robe Ar' & Joh'es Matthews Ar' Cl'ic' Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis per Middleton Howard Attorn' ſuu' et pr'tuler' hic in Cur' d'c'i D'ni Regis tunc ib'm quand'm Billam ſuam verſus Ric'um Norwood in Cuſtod' Marr' &c. de pl'ito tr'nſgr' ſup' Caſum et ſunt pleg' de pr'ſequend' ſcil't Joh'es Doe et Ric'us Roe quæ quid'm Billa ſequit' in hæc Verba ſſ. Midd'x ſſ. Thomas Robe Ar' et Joh'es Matthews Ar' Cl'ic' Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis querunt' de Ric'o Norwood in Cuſtod' Marr' Mareſc' D'ni Regis coram ipſo Rege exiſten' pro eo videl't quod cum decimo die Octobr' Anno D'ni Mill'imo Septingent'imo viceſimo nono apud Paroch' ſ'c'i Clementis Danor' in Com' pr'd' quodd'm Colloquiu' Motu' & h'itum fuit per & int' eoſd'm Thomam & Joh'em & pr'dict' Ric'um de & conc'nen' Circuitu a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis per quem Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis pro tempore exiſten' de jure exercere poteſt Officiu' ſuu' Cl'ici Mercat' Hoſpitii ipſius D'ni Regis & ſup' Colloquio illo iidem Thomas & Joh'es adtunc & ib'm affirmabant quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis pro tempore exiſten' de jure exercere poteſt Officin' ſuu' Cl'ici Mercat' Hoſpitii ipſius D'ni Regis per Circuitu' duodecim Milliar' a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis (Except' infra Civitat' London) ſive per aliq'm partem Circuitus ill' quam quidem affirmac'on' idem Ric'us adtunc & ib'm denegabat affirmando quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis pro tempore exiſten' non poteſt de jure exercere Officiu' ſuu' Cl'ic' Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis ultra Circuitu' ducent' pedum a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis & ſuper inde iidem Thomas & Joh'es ad Inſtanc' & Requiſic'on' ejuſdem Ric'i adtunc & ib'm ſolvere eidem Ric'o vigint' ſolid' legalis Monet' Magn' Britan' & in Conſiderac'one inde idem Ric'us poſtea ſcil't eiſdem die & anno apud paroch' pr'd' in Com' pr'd' ſuper ſe aſſumpſit & eiſdem Thom' & Joh'i adtunc & ib'm fidelit' pr'miſit

quod ipſe idem Ric'us ſolvet eiſdem Thomæ & Joh'i quadragint' ſolid' ſi'lis legalis monet' ſi Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis exercere poteſt officiu' ſuu' Cl'ici Mercat' Hoſpitii ipſius D'ni Regis per Circuitu' duodecim Milliar' a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis (except' infra Civitat London) ſive per aliq'm partem Circuitus ill' ultra Circuitu' ducent' pedum a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis & iidem Thomas & Joh'es in f'cto dicunt quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis exercere poteſt officiu' ſuu' Cl'ici Mercat' Hoſpitii ipſius D'ni Regis per Circuitu' duodecim Milliar' a Reſiden' D'ni Regis (except' infra Civitat' London) ſive per aliq'm partem Circuitus ill' cumq' etiam poſtea ſcil't die & anno ſupr'dict' apud Paroch' pr'dict' in Com' prædict' quoddam al' Colloquiu' motu' & h'itum fuit per & int' eoſdem Thomam & Joh'em & prædict' Ric'um de & conc'rnenc' Feod' Officii prædict' & ſuper Colloquio ill' iidem Thomas & Joh'es adtunc & ib'm affirmabant quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis de jure intitulat' exiſtit ad Feoda pro examinac'one & viſu' ponderu' & menſurar' Officio ſuo prædict' pertinen' ſcil't ad Feod' quatuor denar' bis in Anno ſolvend' per quemlibet perſon' infra Circuit' prædict' reſiden' (except' infra Civitat' London) ac ponderib' & Menſur' aut ponderib' vel Menſur' in Com'rcio pro lucro ib'm uten' pro viſu & examinac'one om' ponderu' & menſurar' ponderu' vel menſurar' hu'modi perſon' reſpective ſic uſitat' quam quidem affirmac'on' idem Ric'us adtunc & ib'm denegabat & ſuperinde iidem Thomas & Joh'es ad ſp'ial inſtanc' & Requiſic'on' ejuſdem Ric'i adtunc & ib'm ſolver' eidem Ric'o al' quadragint' ſolid' ſi'lis legalis monet' & in Conſiderac'on' inde idem Ric'us poſtea ſcil't eiſdem Die & Anno apud paroch' prædict' in Com' prædict' ſuper ſe aſſumpſit & eiſdem Thomæ & Joh'i adtunc & ib'm fidelit' promiſit quod ipſe idem Ric'us ſolvet eiſdem Thomæ & Joh'i al' quadragint' ſolid' ſi'lis legalis monet' ſi Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis de jure intitulat' exiſtit ad Feoda prædict' pro examinac'one & viſu ponderu' & menſurar' Officio ſuo prædict' pertinen' & iidem Thomas & Joh'es in f'cto dicunt quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis intitulat' exiſtit ad Feod' prædict' pro examinac'one & viſu ponderu' & menſurar' Officio ſuo prædict' pertinen' idem tamen Ric'us ſep'al' promiſſion' & aſſumpc'on' ſuas prædict' in forma prædict' factas mi'e curans ſed machinans & fraudulent' intendens eoſdem Thomam & Joh'em in hac parte callide & ſubdole decipere & defraudare prædict' ſep'al' denar' ſum'as per ipſum Ric'um eiſdem Thomæ & Joh'i ſic ut præfert' ſolvend' ſeu aliq'm partem inde eiſdem Thomæ & Joh'i (licet per ipſos ad hoc faciend' idem Ric'us poſtea ſcil't decimo ſeptimo

mo Die Octobr' Anno ſupradict' apud Paroch' prædict' in Com' prædict' requiſit' fuiſſet) nondu' ſolvit ſed ill' eis ſolvere huc uſque omnino recuſavit & adhuc recuſat ad dampnu' ipſor' Thomæ & Joh'is centum ſolid' & inde producunt ſect'm &c.

Et prædict' Ric'us per Franc'um Lenthall Attor' ſuum ven' & defend' vim & injur' quando' &c. & dicit quod prædicti Thomas & Joh'es acc'onem ſuam prædict' verſus eum h'ere ſeu manuten're non debent quia quoad primam promiſſion' & aſſump'con' in Narr' prædict' menc'onat' idem Ric'us dicit quod bene & v'rum eſt quod ipſe idem Ric'us aſſumpſit ſuper ſe modo & forma pr ut iidem Thomas & Joh'es ſuperius inde verſus eum queruntur ſed idem Ric'us ulterius dicit quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis de jure non exercere poteſt Officium ſuum Cl'ici Mercat' Hoſpitii ipſius D'ni Regis per Circuitu' duodecim Miliar' a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis ſive per al quam partem Circuitus ill' ultra Circuitu' ducent' pedum a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis & de hoc ponit ſe ſuper pr'iam & prædicti Thomas & Joh'es inde ſi'lit' Et quoad promiſſion' & aſſump'con' prædict' in Narrac'on prædict' ſup'rius ult' menc'onat' idem Ric'us dicit quod bene & v'rum eſt quod ipſe idem Ric'us aſſumpſit ſuper ſe modo & forma pr'ut per narrac'onem prædict' ſup'rius in ea parte ſupponit' ſed idem Ric'us ulterius dicit quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis de jure non intitulat' exiſtit ad Feoda prædict' pro examinac'one & viſu ponderu' & menſurar' Officio ſuo prædict' pertinen' & de hoc etiam ponit ſe ſuper pr'iam & prædicti Thomas & Joh'es inde ſi'lit' I'o tam ad triand' exit' ill' quem al' exit' int' partes prædict' ſup'rius junct' ven' inde jur' coram D'no Rege apud Weſtm' Die Sab'ti prox' poſt quinden' ſ'c'i Martini & qui nec &c. ad Recogn' &c. quia tam &c. Idem dies dat' eſt partib' prædict' ib'm &c.

Pl'ita coram D'no Rege apud Weſtm' de Termino ſ'c'i Mich'is Anno R'ni D'ni Georgii S'di nunc Regis Magn' Britan' &c. Quarto.

Midd'x ſſ. JUr' int' Thomam Robe Ar' & Joh'em Matthews Ar' (Cleric' Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis per Middleton Howard Attorn' ſuum Quer' & Ri'cum Norwood de pl'ito tr'ſgr' ſuper Caſum ponit' in reſp'cu' coram D'no Rege apud Weſtm' uſq; Diem Sab'ti prox' poſt Octab' ſ'c'i Hillar' niſi di-

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Iect' & fidelis D'ni Regis Rob'tus Raymond Mil' Capitalis Juſtic' D'ni Regis ad pl'ita in Cur' ipſius D'ni Regis coram ipſo Rege tenend' aſſign' prius Die Lunæ triceſimo Die Novembris apud Weſtm' prædict' in Com' Midd'x in magna Aula pl'itor' ib'm per formam Statut' &c. ven' pro def'eu jur' &c. l'o vic' h'eat Corpora &c. Idem Dies dat' eſt partib' prædict' ib'm &c.

XXIX Die Jan' 1730, D. per Car' Haddocke.

POSTEA Die & loco infra content' coram Rob'to Raymond Mil' Capital' Juſtic' infraſcript' aſſociat' ſibi Joh'e Smith Gen' per formam Statut' &c. ven' t'm infra no'iat' Thomas Robe Ar' & Joh'es Matthews Ar' (Cleric' Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis) q'm infraſcript' Ric'us Norwood per Attorn' ſuos infra content' & jur' jur' unde infra fit menc'o exact' quid'm eor' videl't Henr' Goddard Will'us Perkins Will'us Harding Will'us Deveniſh Joh'es Walker Thomas Baxter Will'us Pritchard Rees Thomas Joh'es Wilſon & Benjamin' Foſter ven' & in jur' ill' jurat' exiſtunt & quia reſid' jur' ejuſdem jurat' non comparuer' l'o al' de circumſtanc' per vic' Com' Midd'x infraſcript' ad hoc el'ci ad requiſic'onem prædictor' Thomæ Robe & Joh'is Matthews ac per Mandat' Capitalis Juſtic' prædict' de novo apponunt' quor' no'ia panello infraſcript' aſſilant' ſc'd'm formam Statut' in hu'mo'i Caſu edit' & provis' qui quidem jur' ſic de novo appo'it' videl't Joh'es Prater & Theophilus Proſſer exact' ſcil't ven' q'm ad veritat' de infra content' ſimulcum al' jur' prædict' prius impannellat' dicend' el'ci triat' & jurat' dic' ſuper ſacr'um ſuu' quoad promiſſion' & aſſumpc'on' prædict' int'ius primo men'conat' quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis exercere poteſt Officiu' ſuu' Cl'ici Mercat' Hoſpitii ipſius D'ni Regis per Circuitu' duodecim Milliar' a Reſidenc' D'ni Regis (except' infra Civitat' London) prout prædict' Thomas Robe & Joh'es Matthews interius affirmaver' & aſſidunt dampna ip'or' Thomæ Robe & Joh'is Matthews occ'one non performac'on' primæ promiſſion' & aſſumpc'on' ill' ultra mis' & cuſtag' ſua per ipſos circa ſect'm ſuam in hac parte appo'it' ad vigint' ſolid' & pro mis' & cuſtag' ill' ad quadragint' ſolid' ac quoad promiſſion' & aſſumpc'on' in Narr' int'rius ult' menc'onat' iidem jur' dic' quod Cl'icus Mercat' Hoſpitii D'ni Regis non intitulat' exiſtit ad Feod' quatuor denar' bis in Anno ſolvend' per quemlibet perſon' infra circuit' prædict' reſiden' (except' infra Civitat' London) ac ponderib' & menſur' aut ponderib' vel menſur' in Com'rcio pro Lucro ib'm uten' pro viſu & examinac'one om' ponderu' & menſurar' aut ponderu' vel menſurar' hu'mo'i perſon' reſpective ſic uſitat' prout prædict' Thomas Robe & Joh'es Matthews int'rius affirmaver' l'o &c.

NUMB.

NUMBER XXVII.

PLEAS before our Lord the King at Weſtminſter, *of* Michaelmas-Term, *in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord* George *the Second, by the Grace of God of* Great Britain, France *and* Ireland, *King, Defender of the Faith.*

HERETOFORE (that is to ſay) on *Monday* the Twenty-ſeventh Day of *Auguſt*, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *George* the Second, King of *Great Britain*, *France* and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, at the General Seſſion of the Peace of our Sovereign Lord the King, holden for the County of *Middleſex*, at *Hicks's-Hall* in *St. John-ſtreet*, in the County aforeſaid; Before *William Cowper*, *William Dobyns*, *Alexander Garret*, *Andrew Osburne*, Eſqrs; and other their Fellows Juſtices of our ſaid Lord the King, aſſigned to keep the Peace in the ſaid County; and alſo to hear and determine diverſe Felonies, Treſpaſſes, and other Miſdemeanors committed in the ſame County, upon the Oath of Twelve Jurors, good and lawful Men of the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, then and there ſworn and charged to inquire for our ſaid Lord the King, for the Body of the ſaid County: It was preſented, that *Edward Refitt*, late of the Pariſh of *St. Mary Matfellon*, otherwiſe *Whitechapel*, in the County of *Middleſex*, Yeoman, on the Fourteenth Day of *June*, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *George* the Second, King of *Great Britain*, *France* and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, at the Pariſh aforeſaid, in the County aforeſaid, by Colour of being Servant and Agent to *Thomas Robe*, and *Charles Peter*, Eſquires, Clerk of the Market of the Houſhold of our ſaid Lord the King, unlawfully, unjuſtly, and extorſively did demand, receive, and have of one *William Cole*, the Sum of Fourteen Pence of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, for and as a Fee for examining, marking and ſealing Five Quart Pots made of Pewter, Seven Pint Pots made of Pewter, and Two Half Pint Pots made of Pewter; whereas in Truth and in Fact, there was then no ſuch Fee due to the ſaid *Edward Refitt*, or to the ſaid Clerk of the Market in that behalf, to the great Damage and Oppreſſion of the ſaid *William Cole*, and againſt the Peace of our ſaid Lord the King, his Crown and Dignity. Which ſaid Indictment our ſaid Lord the King, afterwards, for certain Reaſons, hath cauſed to be brought before him, to be determined according to the Law and Cuſtom of *England*: Wherefore the Sheriff of the ſaid County is commanded, that he omit not upon Account of any Liberty in his Bailiwick, but that he cauſe him to come to anſwer our ſaid Lord the King, for the Treſpaſs, Contempt,

and Extortion aforeſaid: And now, that is to ſay, on *Tueſday* next after Three Weeks from the Day of Saint *Michael* in the ſame Term, before our ſaid Lord the King at *Weſtminſter*, comes the ſaid *Edward Refitt*, by *John Matthews* his Attorney, and having heard the ſaid Indictment read, ſaith, He is not guilty thereof; and hereupon he puts himſelf upon the Country. And *James Burrow*, Eſquire, Coroner, and Attorney of our ſaid Lord the King, in the Court of our ſaid Lord the King, before the King himſelf, who proſecutes for our ſaid Lord the King, in this Behalf, does the like; Therefore let a Jury thereupon come before our ſaid Lord the King, in Fifteen Days from the Day of Saint *Martin*, whereſoever he ſhall be then in *England*, by whom the Truth of the Matter may be the better known, and who are not of Kin to the ſaid *Edward Refitt*, to recognize upon their Oath, whether the ſaid *Edward Refitt* be guilty of the Treſpaſs, Contempt and Extortion, aforeſaid, or not; becauſe as well the ſaid *James Burrow*, Eſquire, who proſecutes for our ſaid Lord the King in this behalf, as the ſaid *Edward Refitt*, have thereupon put themſelves on the ſaid Jury; the ſame Day is given as well to the ſaid *James Burrow*, Eſquire, who proſecutes for our ſaid Lord the King in this behalf, as to the ſaid *Edward Refitt*: At which Day, before our Lord the King at *Weſtminſter*, came as well the ſaid *James Burrow*, Eſquire, who proſecutes for our ſaid Lord the King in this behalf, as the ſaid *Edward Refitt* by his Attorney aforeſaid; and the Sheriff of the ſaid County returned the Names of Twelve Jurors, none of whom came; Therefore the Sheriff of the ſaid County is commanded, that he omit not upon account of any Liberty in his Bailiwick, but that he diſtrain them by all their Lands and Chattels in his Bailiwick, ſo that neither they, nor any one for them, do put their Hands to the ſame, until he have another Command from our ſaid Lord the King for that Purpoſe; And that he anſwer to our ſaid Lord the King for the Iſſues thereof, ſo that he have their Bodies before our ſaid Lord the King in eight Days, from the Day of Saint *Hillary*, whereſoever he ſhall be then in *England*; or before the beloved and faithful of our ſaid Lord the King, *Philip* Lord *Hardwicke*, Chief Juſtice of our ſaid Lord the King, aſſigned to hold Pleas before our ſaid Lord the King, if he ſhall come before that Time, on *Thurſday* next after the End of the Term, at *Weſtminſter* in the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, in the great Hall of Pleas there, according to the Form of the Statute in ſuch Caſe made and provided, to recognize upon their Oath, whether the ſaid *Edward Refitt* be guilty of the Treſpaſs, Contempt and Extortion aforeſaid, or not, in default of the Jury aforeſaid, who came not in Fifteen Days, from the Day of Saint *Martin* aforeſaid;

ſaid; therefore let the Sheriff have the Bodies of the Jurors aforeſaid, at the ſame Time and Place accordingly, to recognize in Form aforeſaid; the ſame Day is given as well to the ſaid *James Burrow*, Eſquire, who proſecutes for our ſaid Lord the King in this behalf, as to the ſaid *Edward Reſitt*.

Afterwards, at the Day and Place within mentioned, before the within-named *Philip* Lord *Hardwicke*, Chief Juſtice of our Lord the King, aſſigned to hold Pleas before the King himſelf, *Carlton Hayward*, Gentleman, being aſſociated to the ſaid Chief Juſtice, according to the Form of the Statute in ſuch Caſe made and provided, came as well the within-named *James Burrow*, Eſq; who proſecutes for the ſaid Lord the King in this behalf, as the within-named *Edward Reſitt*, by his Attorney within-mentioned; and the Jurors of the Jury within-mentioned being called, ſome of them (to wit) *Henry Sheppard*, *John Watſon*, *Nathaniel Weſt*, *John Green*, *John Haſwhittle*, *Richard Evans*, *Thomas Meads*, *John Jenkins*, *Peter Arnold*, *George Wyatt*, *Chriſtopher Bavington*, and *Thomas Brooks*, being drawn out of the Pannel according to the Form of the Statute in ſuch Caſe lately made and provided, came and ſworn upon the ſaid Jury; Whereupon publick Proclamation is made here in Court for the ſaid Lord the King, as the Cuſtom is, that if there be any one who would inform the Chief Juſtice aforeſaid, the King's Serjeant, the King's Attorney General, or the Jurors of the Jury aforeſaid of the Premiſes within contained, he ſhould come forth and ſhould be heard; and *Thomas Abney*, Eſquire, offered himſelf on the behalf of the ſaid Lord the King to do this; whereupon the Court here proceeded to the taking of the Jury aforeſaid, by the Jurors aforeſaid now appearing for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, who being choſen, tried, and ſworn to ſpeak the Truth of and concerning the Premiſes within mentioned, ſay, upon their Oath, that the ſaid *Edward Reſitt* is Guilty of the Premiſes within charged upon him in the within written Indictment in Manner and Form as by the ſaid Indictment within mentioned againſt him is ſuppoſed.

NUMBER XXVIII.

To the Honourable the COMMONS of *Great-Britain*, in PARLIAMENT Aſſembled;

1. *The humble Petition of the Church-Wardens, Overſeers of the Poor, and great Numbers of the Inhabitants of the ſeveral Pariſhes, Liberties, Hamlets, and Diviſions, in the County of* Middleſex, *in behalf of themſelves and the reſt of the Pariſhes in the ſaid County;*

Humbly Sheweth,

THAT the Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, having for many Years laſt paſt levied very large Sums of Money on your Petitioners, under Colour of paſſing Vagrants, Repairing Bridges and Gaols, and Relieving Maimed Soldiers and Mariners, and divers other Pretences; And your Petitioners having very juſt and reaſonable Grounds to believe, that great Part of the ſaid Money has not been applied for the Purpoſes for which it was pretended to be raiſed, but that the ſame has been notoriouſly miſapplied and embezzeled, as your Petitioners do not doubt but they can be able to make appear, to the Satisfaction of this Honourable Houſe; by the Means of which Miſapplication and Embezzelments, as aforeſaid, the reſpective Pariſhes and Diviſions of this County have been grievouſly burthened and oppreſſed with very heavy and (as your Petitioners moſt humbly conceive) illegal Taxes and Aſſeſſments; and your Petitioners having no Effectual Method of Redreſs againſt the Perſons concerned in the Raiſing, Receiving, and Diſpoſing of the ſaid Money, nor againſt ſuch Violation of Truſt and Invaſion of Property, as your Petitioners complain of, ſave only by an Application to Parliament, without whoſe Aid and Interpoſition they apprehend themſelves expoſed to the like Hardſhips and Impoſitions for the future:

Wherefore your Petitioners humbly hope this Honourable Houſe will take the Premiſes into Conſideration, and grant them ſuch Relief as they in their Wiſdom and Juſtice ſhall ſee meet.

And your Petitioners ſhall ever pray.

2. I am ordered to give Notice, That on *Tueſday* next, at Ten a-Clock, a Veſtry will be held, to conſider of proper Meaſures to be taken in order for the Recovery of the Vagrant-Money which has been illegally raiſed; and likewiſe to take it into Conſideration what further Proceedings is neceſſary to be

be carried on in relation to that, and any other Grievances of the like Nature.

To lay before the Gentlemen, what Method is to be taken for the Recovery of the laſt Rate (levied for 800 *l.*) that was deemed illegal, that the reſpective Pariſhes may take proper Reſolutions at their next Veſtry, to order immediate Proſecutions againſt ſuch Perſons as refuſe the ſaid Money.

A Motion to be made, That the Inhabitants come to a Reſolution to make an humble Application to Parliament, in Order for an Inquiry and Redreſs of ſeveral Sums of Money levied on the ſaid Pariſh, under Pretence of paſſing Vagrants, as alſo for the Maintenance of Maimed Soldiers and Mariners, and for the Relief of Priſoners in the *Marſhalſea* and *King's-Bench*.

3. *A Copy of what intended to be entered in the Veſtry-Book of* Clerkenwell *on* Tueſday *next.*

That Mr. late Church-Warden of this Pariſh, make a Demand on Mr. the then High-Conſtable of Diviſion, for ſo much of the Money as he paid to the ſaid Mr. on the laſt Rate that was made for the paſſing Vagrants for this County, which Rate has been adjudged Illegal by the Court of *King's-Bench*; and in caſe of Refuſal of the ſaid Mr. that then Mr. proſecute him for the ſame: And that he ſhall be indempnified by this Pariſh for any Loſs and Charge that he may be put to on that Account.

15th *March* 1735.

At a Quarter-Seſſions of the Peace in the Year 1734. an Order was made by the Juſtices then and there preſent, for the raiſing the Sum of 800 *l.* on the County of *Middleſex*, for Paſſing, Conveying, and Maintaining Vagrants: After which *Alexander Clarke*, then High-Conſtable of *Holborn* Diviſion, received a Warrant, or Precept, under the Hand and Seal of *John Higgs*, then Treaſurer of ſuch Monies, commanding him the ſaid High-Conſtable, to iſſue his Precepts to the ſeveral Pariſh-Officers within his Diviſion, thereby to order and require the ſaid Pariſh-Officers to raiſe and levy ſuch Sums of Money, for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, as was mentioned in the ſaid High-Conſtable's Precept to them directed, as aforeſaid, by Virtue of which the Sum of 800 *l.* has been raiſed on the County of *Middleſex*; amongſt which was raiſed and paid by

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the Inhabitants of *Saffron-Hill*, *Hatton-Garden*, and *Ely-Rents*, in the Pariſh of St. *Andrew Holborn*, in the ſaid County, the Sum of 11 *l.* 14 *s.* 3 *d.*; upon which the Court of *King's-Bench* was moved, by Counſel, for a *Certiorari* to be allowed, to remove the ſaid Order into the ſaid Court, which was granted; and upon hearing the ſame, the Court adjudged all the Juſtices Proceedings in raiſing the ſaid Sum of 800 *l.* to be illegal, and their Order to be quaſhed.

Q. What Method muſt be taken to recover the ſaid Money, or who muſt or may be ſued for the ſame, and which is the moſt proper Means or Method for Recovery thereof?

The Order being quaſhed, every Thing done in purſuance of this being null and void, and every one who has had any Money levied upon him under Colour of that Order, hath certainly a Right to recover it again from the Perſon who levied it; for the Rate being unduly taxed, the Warrant of the Juſtices of the Peace for levying it will not excuſe the Officer: But as it would not, I think, be adviſeable to bring a great Number of Actions for trifling Sums, I apprehend the moſt proper Method for recovering this Money, would be for the Perſon who collected it and paid it to Mr. *Clarke*, to bring an Action againſt Mr. *Clarke* for ſo much as he paid him; and Mr. *Clarke* has his Remedy againſt Mr. *Higgs*, if he thinks fit to purſue it.

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N° 7. *Gray's-Inn*, *Coney-Court*,
March the 11th, 1735. RICHARD MORLEY.

NUMBER XXIX.

The CASE *of the* TAXES *and* ASSESSMENTS *raiſed upon the County of* Middleſex.

BY divers Acts of Parliament * the Juſtices of Peace in their Seſſions have Power to raiſe Money, and to appoint Receivers, who are to give Security and account with them for the ſame.

The Juſtices of Peace for the County of *Middleſex* appoint certain particular Gentlemen out of their Body, to tranſact all Matters relating to the Diſpoſition of all ſuch Money, as is raiſed under the Authority of any of the ſaid Acts of Parliament, which Gentlemen are called the *Committee of Accounts.*

From the Year 1722 to the Year 1734, both incluſive, the County of *Middleſex* has been taxed at the Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds, for paſſing Vagrants, and ſo in the ſame Proportion for divers Years back; tho' it can undeniably be made appear, that moſt of the ſaid Pariſhes paſs few or no Vagrants at all; that others, who have paſſed them, have been obliged to pay the Charge, out of the Poors Rate, having, upon Application to the Juſtices and their Treaſurer, been refuſed to be allowed their Diſburſements for the ſame; and that even thoſe Pariſhes that are on the Confines of the County, and are ſituated in the great Roads, upon which the Burthen of paſſing Vagrants chiefly lies, have expended upon an Average no more than Three Pounds a Year each, or thereabouts, for that Purpoſe, except the Pariſhes of *Endfield* and *South-mims*, which have been uſually farmed out to Perſons, who have undertaken by Agreement with the ſaid Juſtices, to paſs all the Vagrants brought them, for a certain Annual Sum.

That notwithſtanding ſuch large Sums of Money have been continually levied on this County for the paſſing Vagrants, and ſo much more, as it can be fully proved, than was ever applied to that Purpoſe, yet many of the Conſtables, who have been obliged by the Duty of their Offices to paſs ſuch Vagrants as

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* 14 Eliz. 5. *For the Relief of poor Priſoners.* 43 Eliz. 2. *For the King's Bench and Marſhalſea.* 43 Eliz. 3 *Maim'd Soldiers and Mariners.* 19 Car. 2, 4. *For ſetting Priſoners to Work.* 11 *and* 12 Wm 3, 19 *For Building and Repairing Gaols.* 1 An. 18. *For Repairing Bridges.* 12 An. 23. *For Paſſing, and Maintaining Vagrants.* Beſides theſe, By 27 Eliz. 3. and 8 Geo. 2. 2. *Two Juſtices may tax the Hundred for Robberies.* By 13 and 14 Car. 2. 3. *Deputy-Lieutenants may make a Rate for Trophy Money.*

have

have been found Wandering within their reſpective Diviſions, have, after many fruitleſs and expenſive Applications to the Juſtices in their Seſſions, been put off under divers frivolous Pretences, from having their neceſſary Charges and Diſburſements allowed them, and remain abſolutely unpaid to this Day.

The Juſtices who have uſually taken upon them to diſpoſe of this Money, never kept any regular Account of the Diſpoſition of the ſame, before the Death of Mr. *Coteſworth*, formerly their *Treaſurer*, and likewiſe in the Commiſſion of the Peace, who died in *December* 1730, and who, tho' he had not been in that *Office* full Two Years, had imbezzled between Seven and Eight Hundred Pounds of the Vagrant Money, which was intirely loſt to the County, no Security having been taken from the ſaid *Coteſworth* for the ſame, which it is apprehended ought to have been done; but tho' no ſuch Account was kept till after the Death of the ſaid *Coteſworth*, yet there was a Committee of Accounts always appointed in the ſame manner as at preſent.

From the Year 1723 to the Year 1727, both incluſive, the Sum of One Thouſand Four Hundred Pounds has been raiſed by the ſaid Juſtices for the Repairs of decay'd Bridges, tho' there is only *Brentford* Bridge, and one half of *Chertſey* Bridge, repaired at the Expence of the County of *Middleſex*, the other half of *Chertſey* Bridge being repaired by the County of *Surry*, and the other Bridges in the County of *Middleſex*, out of the Money ariſing from the *Turnpikes*; and tho' the ſaid Sum of One Thouſand Four Hundred Pounds was raiſed for the Uſes abovementioned, yet the Charge of ſuch Repairs, would not have amounted to above nine Hundred Pounds or thereabouts, if the ſeveral *Workmen* and *Perſons* imployed therein had been all duly paid their *juſt Demands*, which on the Contrary they have not been, nor have been able to obtain any Satisfaction for the ſame.

There have beſides been ſeveral Sums raiſed Yearly, for the Relief of maimed Soldiers and Mariners, and likewiſe for the Relief of the Priſoners in the *King's-Bench* and *Marſhalſea*, and the Poor in the Hoſpitals and Alms-houſes, the greateſt Part if not the Whole of which Money has been intirely diverted to other Uſes, and no Account ever given how the ſame has been diſpoſed of.

That

That the Money ſo raiſed, for the ſeveral Purpoſes abovementioned, has been notoriouſly miſapplied and imbezzled, can be made appear, with the greateſt Certainty that the Nature of the Caſe will admit of: Who are the Perſons, that have been guilty of ſuch Miſapplications and Imbezzlements, will be beſt diſcover'd by an Inquiry into the Conduct of thoſe who have had the Diſpoſal of ſuch Money; and without ſuch an Inquiry, *it is juſtly to be feared*, that the County will continually be burthen'd with very heavy Taxes, without the leaſt Reaſon or Neceſſity for the ſame.

For it is apprehended, as the *Law ſtands at preſent*, that whatever *Miſapplications* or *Imbezzlements* there may be of the County Money, *the Inhabitants of the County, who may, in many Inſtances, be taxed at the Diſcretion of the ſaid* Juſtices, *and whoſe Properties, by Conſequence, continually lie expoſed to their Mercy, have no effectual Method of Redreſs*, but by Application to PARLIAMENT.

NUMBER XXX.

Sir DANIEL DOLINS's *General Account.*

Dr.	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*		*Cr.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
Received for Bridges	243	19	11		Paid for Bridges	243	19	11
Received for Houſe of Correction - - -	79	19	04		Paid for Houſe of Correction - - - - -	79	19	04
Received County Rates	977	02	03		Paid for Repairing *Hicks's-Hall* - - -	1064	17	05
Receiv. Money Replaced	277	09	00		Balance in Hand - -	189	13	10
	1578	10	06			1578	10	06

l. 1064	17	5	Laid out and paid by Sir *Daniel Dolins* for Repairing *Hicks's-Hall.*
977	02	3	As appears above to be received from County Rates.
87	15	2	Muſt be Part of 277 *l.* 9 *s.* 0 *d.* replaced, and conſequently makes the Sum due to ſeveral Treaſurers of Money borrowed *l.* 826 12 9½

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As appears by the Balance of the Account of Money borrowed of the ſeveral Treaſurers for the Repair of *Hicks's-Hall*, to be replaced - -	738	17	7½
And Part of 277 *l.* 9 *s.* 0 *d.* replaced in Sir *Daniel Dolins*'s Hands, laid out upon *Hicks's-Hall*, and paid by him, as above - - - - -	87	15	2
Total not replaced - -	826	12	9½

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